

# WIDA ACCESS Exit Options

## Spring 2020

On April, 7, 2020, the State Board of Education [approved exiting options for English learners specific to spring 2020](#). On April 15, 2020, the Governor recommended schools remain closed for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year. Because of these two factors, the extended WIDA ACCESS testing window was approved to close as scheduled on **April 17, 2020**.

The State Board of Education approved three options for students to exit EL services. **An important note is the exit score has not changed.** The three options approved for exit from English as a Second Language services in spring 2020 are:

1. Students who completed all four domains of the WIDA ACCESS assessment shall exit by current criteria.
2. Students who have completed one, two, or three of the four domains of the WIDA ACCESS assessment shall exit based on a score that the Tennessee Department of Education shall calculate.
3. Students who have not completed any domains of the WIDA ACCESS assessment shall exit based on a rubric developed by the Tennessee Department of Education.

### Here are your next steps:

1. If you need to return materials, please return WIDA ACCESS materials as soon as it is safe to do so. You will need to follow the DRC shipping directions which are available on LiveBinders and the TDOE Update on Coronavirus webpage.
2. Wait for the release of scores. The score report dates below are contingent upon materials being returned to DRC by **June 2**.
  - **Scores from WIDA/DRC for completed assessments:** We are expecting districts to have access to scores in **late July**.
  - **Scores from the department for partially completed assessments:** We are expecting districts to have access to scores in **early August**.
3. When you receive exit rubric information, begin gathering the required information for students and designated personnel. The rubric exit option will require a team decision based on the required information. Documentation of this exit option will be kept at the district level in a student's cumulative record. The rubric will be available on LiveBinders next week under the [MSAA, WIDA, TCAP-Alt tab](#).

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