

Spotlight

on Student Assessment and Accountability

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Common Testing Issues and How to Resolve Them

With test administration nearly upon us, the Office of Educational Assessment and Accountability (OEAA) is here to help ensure a safe, smooth, and equitable test administration in Spring 2023. While not all test irregularities are avoidable, some common issues that arise can be easily prevented. We have prepared this brief list to support your successful test administration.

Note: If you do encounter any testing irregularities during test administration, the OEAA staff will help you resolve them, to ensure valid and reliable results that will help inform your program and your continuous improvement goals.

Here are some common, and easily avoided, Incident Reports that Michigan Department of Education (MDE) sees each year:

- **Accommodations/Designated Supports not assigned:**

One of the most common Incident Reports is that students did not receive their required Accommodation or Designated Support during testing.

This can easily be avoided by:

- » carefully assigning Accommodations and Designated Supports before the test administration begins (communicate with your Special Education and English learner staff, as needed)
- » ensuring all Test Administrators are aware of all Accommodations/Designated Supports in each test session (communicate with your Test Administrators)

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