WIDA ACCESS - Data Validation

Data validation is the process of reviewing student test records to identify errors and make corrections before score reports are produced.

The Data Validation process is designed to identify student demographic, accommodation, and test result records that could potentially contain errors and provide the opportunity for corrective action before final reports are available.

During the LEA data validation process, LEAs will be able to make real-time data corrections in WIDA-AMS to individual student demographics, accommodations and test results.

For example, if a District/School label was adhered to a booklet, but demographic information was not bubbled or bubbled incorrectly, this information could be added or edited during Data Validation.

Typically, Data Validation is completed by the District Test Coordinator. If the DTC wishes to pass this permission onto another, they can. On WIDA-AMS, the permission to do Data Validation is called "*Correction Primary Window*."

For information about assigning permissions, see the topics *Editing a Single User's Permissions* and *Editing Multiple Users' Permissions* in the WIDA AMS User Guide - https://www.wida.us/assessment/access%202.0/documents/WIDAAMSUserGuide.pdf

Districts will receive an email from DRC on March 26 with additional information about Data Validation. Complete information about the process can be found in two resources that WIDA provides to help with Data Validation:

- **WIDA AMS User Guide Supplement: Data Validation** - https://www.wida.us/Assessment/ACCESS%202.0/documents/WIDA_AMS_Supplement_Data_Validation_02_09_18.pdf : This document provides instructions for completing data validation in WIDA AMS.
- **Data Validation Tutorial** - https://www.wida.us/ACCESSTraining/DataValidationModule/presentation.html **:** This training tutorial provides instructions for completing data validation in WIDA AMS.

If you have questions or need assistance with the Data Validation process, please contact DRC at 855-787-9615 or email WIDA@datarecognitioncorp.com.

Please note that DESE staff does not have access to the data validation area in WIDA-AMS and therefore all questions should be directed to DRC at the number or email address above.

Validation Windows

Missouri has **TWO** Data Validation windows.

Pre-Reporting Validation April 2 through April 9

Pre-reporting Data Validation occurs before initial reporting and impacts reports (both printed and posted in WIDA-AMS) and data files. Please use this window as your main data validation window so that you get accurate data and score reports on May 9th.

Post-Reporting Validation May 9 through May 11

(NOTE –The original Post-Reporting Data Validation window ran through May 15, but needed to be shortened to ensure on-time data delivery).

Post-Reporting Data Validation occurs after reports and data files have been posted to WIDA-AMS on May 9th. Any changes made in post-reporting Data Validation result in delivery of new data files and new electronic (PDF) reports. This window should only be used as a last resort. Any data corrections made from this window will be reported back to districts on May 24th.