

I wanted to make you aware of several updates related to WIDA ACCESS administration.

- Now posted on the DESE website is the LEA Guide to English Language Proficiency (ELP) Assessments 2016-2017. The LEA Guide includes contact information, a description of options on the *My Account & Secure* Portal page of wida.us, an assessment decision matrix to choose which of the ACCESS assessments is the correct one for your student, timing guidelines and a list of webinars being hosted by WIDA (arranged by topic and including links to join the webinars). The guide can be accessed here: <https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/assessment/access-ells>
- I've also posted a one page quick reference guide to ACCESS 2.0. This quick guide includes some basic information about ACCESS, contact info and some websites to know - <https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/assessment/access-ells>
- WIDA has posted a checklist for personnel involved in the administration of ACCESS for ELLs 2.0. The checklist highlights all tasks that need to be completed before, during, and after testing within a school or district and shows who typically completes those tasks. You can use this checklist to keep track of completed tasks. <https://www.wida.us/membership/checklists/MO-checklist.pdf>
- District Test Coordinators and District IT Coordinators should have received their WIDA AMS logins by now. If you have not received your login, please contact the DRC customer service desk at 855-787-9615.
- For those who need accounts on WIDA.us in order to take and complete training – contact your district test coordinator. If you are a DTC who needs a login, please contact me directly and I will get an account set up for you.
- If you haven't signed up for the DESE ELL Listserv, please do so here: <http://lists.mo.gov/mailman/listinfo/english-language-learner>

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