

## Field Test Completion Information

As of April 14, a total of 398,896 tests were started and a total of 383,040 tests were completed by Connecticut students. The current number of tests started and completed across all Consortium states can be found on the [Smarter Balanced Web site](#). Each “test” included in these counts represents a PT or Non-PT within a content area.

## Data Protection and Privacy Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

The Connecticut State Department of Education treats data confidentiality and the privacy of student educational records very seriously. It complies with all federal laws including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), state statutes, and guidelines to protect confidential data. The CSDE *Data Protection and Privacy Frequently Asked Questions* document is posted on the [Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium](#) page of the CSDE Web site. This document will help to answer questions about data privacy.

## Heartbleed Security Bug

Smarter Balanced has received numerous inquiries through the helpdesk and other avenues regarding the Heartbleed security bug. All servers used to deliver the field test have been found to be secure against the Heartbleed vulnerability. No student or test data is at risk nor has it ever been due to this issue.

## Google Chrome Version 34

Google recently released version 34 of its Chrome operating system. Google has identified a known issue with this release that may result in the AIRSecureTest mobile secure browser kiosk app not appearing on managed Chromebooks. The new release produces an issue for kiosk apps for domains in which device managers disabled the “show usernames and photos” option for the sign-in screen.

To resolve this issue, Chromebook managers will need to make a change in the admin console.

1. Log into the Chrome Device Management Console.
2. Navigate to Device Settings and scroll down to the Settings section.
3. For the sign-in screen, select “Always show user names and photos” from the “Show user names and photos on the sign-in screen” drop-down list. Once this is enabled, the AIRSecureTest kiosk app should appear again on managed Chromebooks in the Apps section on the login screen.

Google will fix this issue in a future release.

Contact the Academic Office at 1-860-713-6860 or [SmarterBalancedCT@ct.gov](mailto:SmarterBalancedCT@ct.gov) with questions regarding the Smarter Balanced Assessment System. View past Smarter Balanced Field Test Updates on the [CSDE Web site](#).