

Field Test Completion Information

As of April 28, a total of 522,792 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.

TIDE Appeals

Smarter Balanced has been investigating situations in which the ORS or TIDE Appeals system show the test as paused when in fact the test has expired and appears as grayed out to the student. In these instances the CSDE has been unable to approve appeals to reopen a test, and as a result students are unable to resume testing.

A fix has been put in place to address this issue:

Case 1: Expired tests showing as “paused” in ORS or TIDE Appeals, for which the student **did not view or attempt to answer any items**:

- AIR reset these tests on Friday 4/25 and students can now access the reset tests. Standard test expiration rules go into effect. Therefore, from the time the student starts the test, the student has 10 days (PT) or 45 days (non-PT) to complete and submit the new test.

Case 2: Expired tests showing in ORS or TIDE Appeals as something other than expired (Paused, Reported, Completed), for which the student **viewed or attempted to answer at least 1 item**:

- AIR has reopened these as of this morning. Reopen test expiration rules go into effect, and the student has 10 days to complete and submit the test (PT) beginning on 4/30.

In both cases, no action is needed on your part to reset or reopen these tests.

Students Who Move During Testing

Students, who move from one Connecticut district/school to another, must complete any tests that were not completed prior to moving. Tests that were completed or are in progress will transfer to the new district/school. Additionally, students who move in from out-of-state or private schools have until June 13, 2014, to complete all testing.

When adding new students to TIDE, please allow at least 24 hours before the student starts or resumes testing in the new school/district.

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

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