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WIDA Accounts

As of Oct. 25, all DACs with WIDA AMS accounts are now updated for the current school year test administration. This update also provided all new DACs who were listed in the Minnesota Department of Education-Organization Reference Glossary (MDE-ORG) by Oct. 10 with active district-level accounts in both the WIDA Secure Portal and WIDA AMS. For the WIDA Secure Portal, new DACs should have received an email about creating their Secure Portal accounts or letting them know that their account now has the Account Management permission account information for the WIDA Secure Portal.

If you are a new DAC and have not yet received access to either system, please contact mde.testing@state.mn.us. If you are indicated as the DAC in MDE-ORG, MDE will approve the request and send your information to the service providers to create both accounts. Note: New DACs should confirm they are indicated as the DAC in MDE-ORG before sending their request.

Upcoming Opportunities

November Q&A Session (2): Preparing to Train Staff

MDE will host a Q&A session for new and experienced DACs on Tuesday, Nov. 12. This session will be hosted on ZoomGov, and advanced registration is required (see the registration link in the table below). Details for joining will be provided once participants register. **Please note: Registration for this event will close on Monday, Nov. 11 at 2 p.m.**

MDE collects questions from DACs prior to the event to help prepare and find relevant resources to share. After reviewing the prerequisites, submit questions for the session using the link provided in the table below. Q&A

sessions will not be recorded nor will CEUs be provided as they are considered additional supports rather than training events.

Q&A Session	Date/Time and Registration Link	Prerequisites and Question Submission Link
November Q&A Session (2): Preparing to Train Staff	Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2–3 p.m. Register for November Q&A Session (2) Note: Registration for this event will close on Monday, Nov. 11 at 2 p.m.	Prerequisites are the following from the *Procedures Manual*: • Chapter 6 (Overview of Test Administration) • Chapter 7 (Before Test Administration) Submit questions for the Nov. Q&A Session (2)

Odds & Ends

MDE offices will be closed on Monday, Nov. 11 in observance of the Veterans Day holiday. Responses to emails and phone calls will be delayed to Tuesday, Nov. 12.

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