



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**Notice Inviting Publishers to Submit Tests for a
Determination of Suitability for Use in the National
Reporting System for Adult Education**

AGENCY: Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education,
Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Education invites publishers to submit tests for review and approval for use in the National Reporting System for Adult Education (NRS) and announces the date by which publishers must submit these tests. This notice relates to the approved information collection under OMB control number 1830-0567.

DATES: Deadline for transmittal of applications: October 1, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Submit your application by email to NRS@air.org.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John LeMaster, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-7240. Telephone: (202) 245-6218. Email: John.LeMaster@ed.gov.

If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability and wish to access telecommunications relay services, please dial 7-1-1.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department's regulations for Measuring Educational Gain in the National Reporting System for Adult Education, 34 CFR part 462 (NRS regulations), include procedures for determining the suitability of tests for use in the NRS.

As provided in the NRS regulations, the Secretary only reviews tests submitted by a test publisher, and any such tests must be submitted by the beginning of the review cycle on October 1, 2023. 34 CFR 462.10. Only tests submitted by the due date will be reviewed in this review cycle. Any tests submitted after October 1, 2023, will not be reviewed until the review cycle that begins on October 1, 2024.

Review Criteria: To be suitable for use in the NRS, a test must meet the criteria and requirements established in 34 CFR 462.13.

Submission Requirements:

(a) All test applications must comply with the requirements in 34 CFR 462.11.

(b) In accordance with 34 CFR 462.10, the deadline for transmittal of applications in this fiscal year is October 1, 2023.

(c) Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. local time on October 1, 2023. Retain a copy of your sent email message and all email attachments as proof that you timely submitted your application.

(d) Applications submitted after the application deadline date will not be considered in the October 1, 2023, review cycle. Any such applications will be considered timely for the October 1, 2024, deadline date and review cycle.

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