



Department
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Dear Ohio Educator:

Thank you for your interest in the new Ohio Assessments for Educators (OAE). On behalf of the Ohio Department of Education, I write to encourage you to apply to participate in the upcoming OAE assessment validation activities. The online application form is available on this website, www.ohrecruit.nesinc.com.

Program Information

In 2012, the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) selected the Evaluation Systems group of Pearson to administer the pedagogical knowledge and content knowledge assessments with the exception of the world language assessments. The validation of the assessment frameworks, and the validation of the assessment test-items, will begin in February 2013. We at ODE are anticipating operational administration of the OAE in September 2013. To accomplish this we will need the participation of Ohio educators from every area of instruction.

Ohio Educator Involvement

The ODE is committed to involving Ohio educators in all aspects of the validation process. Your participation will help to ensure that educator candidates who successfully complete the licensure assessments have demonstrated knowledge for teaching in Ohio schools.

The involvement of Ohio educators, diverse in experience and backgrounds, who are from PK-12 Public, Community, and Chartered Non Public schools, as well as educator preparation faculty, is critical to the success of the Ohio Assessments for Educators.

Test Development Opportunities

Ohio educators are needed to assist the ODE with many test validation activities. Activities may include the following:

- Reviewing and validating test frameworks
- Completing Content Validation Surveys
- Reviewing and validating test items
- Assisting in the recommendation of passing scores

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the Committee Recruitment Group at EvaluationSystemsCRG@pearson.com.

Sincerely,

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