# TABE 11 & 12 Updates from DRC

#### **Math Reference Sheets**

In December 2019, DRC released Math Reference Sheets, one for each level of the TABE 11 & 12 Math test. These reference sheets are to be provided to students during the TABE 11 & 12 Math test. They can also be used as an instructional tool.

Students taking the computer-based TABE 11 & 12 Math test will see a reference sheet icon they can click to access the sheets. The sheets are also posted in the TABE Insight Portal. Programs administering the paper-based Math test will want to make a paper copy of the sheets available. Click <u>here</u> for a PDF of the sheets.

#### **Updates to Individual Profile Report**

An updated version of the TABE individual profile report has been released. Click <u>here</u> to see a sample. New items include an indicator of whether a Measureable Skills Gain (MSG) has been made by the student. The MSG is an increase in an NRS level over the course of a program year of July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Updates also include data specific to the student's test responses to report proficiency in particular skills under each domain.

- Skills that the student has demonstrated would appear in the "Demonstrated Skills" column, while the specific skills they need improvement on would appear in the "Areas for Next Focus" column.
- List of Domains, Categories, and Skills are the same for all reports at the same level (E, M, D, A); however, specific skills will be in the appropriate column (*Demonstrated Skills or Areas for Next Focus*) based on the student's responses to the questions as they relate to the specific domains/categories/skills on the test taken.
- If a student has achieved a "*Proficient*" rating in a domain, the skills listed under *Areas for Next Focus* will be those found on the next-higher test level.

The individual diagnostic profile reports tallied by hand after administering with ScorEze will NOT change. This is an additional reason to move to online testing or scanning options; the diagnostic information available with the online test and scanning option is immediately available and helpful in identifying areas for student improvement.



## **On-Demand Extract Report**

The On-Demand Extract Report available in the DRC Insight Portal provides quick access to student TABE 11 & 12 scores. If you find that you are waiting longer than you'd like to get student scores after an online test or scanning, a quick way to get scores is to access the on-demand extract in the Insight Portal.

### **Maximum Allowable Times**

After DRC monitored the administration of more than 3 million TABE 11 & 12 tests, the U.S. Department of Education has approved a reduction in the maximum allowable times across content areas. DRC received feedback from TABE customers that it was taking students much less time than the stated "maximum allowable time" to complete the TABE 11 & 12 subtests. As a result, DRC submitted a request to the U.S. Department of Education to make changes to the maximum allowable time for a student to complete each TABE 11 & 12 subtest. The new, shorter times have been in effect since September 2019. Please make sure your test administrators are informed and that all test administration documents have been updated to reflect the new times. For a printable PDF of the new allowable times, click <u>here</u>.

## **Field Test Questions**

Field test questions on the TABE 11 & 12 tests are NOT going to be removed. The computer-based field test questions may change in the future, but they will not be removed, and the paper copy field test questions will remain the same.

# A Note from OCTAE

OCTAE says NO shorter, survey version of TABE 11 & 12 will be released. The longform version we currently have of TABE 11 & 12 is what will continue to be available.

