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Ohio State Tests

Value-Added and SGMs

This year Value-Added is again part of a teacher's student growth measures (SGMs) which make up 50% of an overall Effectiveness Rating. As a reminder, if you Linked in the spring of 2018 on the Battelle for Kids website you could have Value-Added for this year's evaluation. **SAS/EVASS should have sent every teacher who Linked in Spring 2018 an email in November 2018 to their CMSD email detailing their Value-Added rating if they had the equivalent of six students or more.** Every teacher in the state of Ohio must have observational data used as 50% of their evaluation and SGM as the other 50%. As a reminder, if a teacher has a Value-Added score from the state, it must be used for 35% of their evaluation. Teachers with Value-Added will use their primary SLO as the 15% of their evaluation (and TDES always counts for 50%). State law also dictates that vendor data must be used if a teacher doesn't have Value-Added data. If a teacher doesn't have Value-Added or vendor data, then both SLOs will be used equally for their SGMs. All of this is state law for all teachers in Ohio. State law has changed regarding teacher evaluation and using student test results. The TDES Steering Committee is working on changes to the rubric and the overall system. CTU will keep all teacher informed of new changes.

Important Dates for SGM in the 2nd Semester:

- **Value-Added:** The state has released the dates for Linkage for the spring 2019
School set-up (this is for principals and school teams only): **April 2-April 16**
 - Teacher Linkage window (this is when teachers link in Battelle): **April 17-May 7**
 - Principal review and approval (this is the final step principals do): **May 8-May 23**
- The subjects that will Link this spring to receive a Value-Added rating next year are: *grades 4-8 ELA and Math; grades 5 and 8 Science; High School Algebra 1, Geometry, English/Language Arts 1 and 2, American History, American Government, and Biology.*
- **SLOs:** There is going to be only one two-week window for SLO roster verification this year and it will take place **March 11-March 22.**
 - Assessments that are used for SLOs and need to have their rosters verified are: *NWEA, OELPA, Alternate Assessment, Por-Core, Preschool ELA, ACT, K writing diagnostic, and CAP* (the last three assessments listed test outside of the window but only by a week).
- **Vendor:** Vendor roster verification will have a two-week window also from **April 4-April 18.**
 - Rosters need to be verified for the following assessments during vendor roster verification: *Aimswest, STAR, CAP, and Pro-Core.*

If you have questions related to Student Growth Measures, including SLOs, vendor assessments, and Value-Added please feel free to contact either member of the CTU part of the SGM subcommittee- **Debbie Paden** or **Mark Baumgartner**.

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