KANSAS HISTORY-GOVERNMENT (H.G.) ASSESSMENT

FACT SHEET 2012 - 2013

General Information

The H.G. assessment is available for 2012-2013 school year:

- Assessed grades OTL in 9 and 11
- High school OTL is in two parts: World Focus and U.S. Focus
- see: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=420
- Results used to calculate AMOs

Standards and Supporting Materials

- Link to assessed indicators, flip charts with item specifications: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=161
- Link to KSDE History-Government web page: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1715

Assessment Format

- High school opportunity to learn (OTL) assessment is available in **two parts**: World Focus (includes world history, global economics, and world geography) & U.S. Focus (includes U.S. and Kansas history, civics-government, and U.S. related economics)
- High school: **one untimed session per par**t, approximately 45 to 60 minute session
- Each part has 15 indicators, 2 questions per indicator for a maximum of 30 items per part
- All multiple choice questions
- Link to accommodations allowed: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2372

Testing Modes

The H.G. assessment is available for the 2012-2013 school year:

- KCA is the required mode for all assessment levels
- Paper and pencil is available for H.S., KAMM, OTL only as an accommodation

Kansas Alternate Assessment (KAA) and Kansas Assessment with Modified Measures (KAMM)

- Administered to students identified as eligible by their IEP Team.
- Available to students in High School OTL in 2012-2013
- The sum of KAMM and Alternate students classified as "Meets Standards" or above at the district level must not exceed 3%.
- Only 1% of district students may be classified as "Meets Standards" or higher using an alternate assessment.
- KAA http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2384
- KAMM http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2371

Formative Assessment

- CETE – KCA TestBuilder
- http://www.cete.us/news/2010-05-12/kca-testbuilder

QPA Target

		High School
		68%

Performance Levels, Cut Scores, and Standard of Excellence

- Five levels: Exemplary, Exceeds Standards, Meets Standards, Approaches Standards, Academic Warning.
- Performance Level Descriptors: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=161
- Cut scores as approved by the State Board of Education: http://www.ksde.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=SqUGcvNjowE%3d&tabid=420&mid=5207
- Criteria for Standard of Excellence: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2379

Scores Reported

- Student performance levels
- Student percent correct
- Results by standard for student, building, district, and state.

Type	Grades	Modes	Opens	Closes
OTL-Fall	9 & 11	KCA	10/3	1/18
OTL –Spring	9	KCA	2/13	5/10
OTL –Spring	11	KCA	2/13	5/10
Alternate	OTL HS	Portfolio	12/31	4/26

Note: Districts have the flexibility to establish local testing windows for History-Government

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English Learners (ELs)

- ELs must take the state assessment and have the same QPA target as the general population.
- ELs are considered '**recently arrived'** if they have attended schools in the US for less than 12 months prior to opening of the test window (**after 2/13/2012**)
- Recently arrived students are included in QPA for participation only
- Recently arrived students may take KELPA in lieu of KCA Social Studies, one administration only. All ELs take KELPA annually.
- Electronic translators and bilingual dictionaries allowed if regularly used for instruction.
- "ELs and State Assessments" Fact Sheet: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2364

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