



IMPORTANT: Programs that receive Early Childhood Education Grant (ECE) or Preschool Special Education (PSE) funding must enter all student ratings in the Ready for Kindergarten Online (KReady) system during the fall and spring windows. Do not use the Bridge Form.

## **NEW FOR 2023-2024**

For the 2023-24 school year, any program using the <u>Early Learning Assessment (ELA)</u> as part of the requirements for <u>Early Childhood Education Grant (ECE)</u> and/or <u>Preschool Special Education (PSE)</u> funded children, **must enter all student ratings in the <u>Ready for Kindergarten Online (KReady) system</u>. Programs will <b>NOT** report ELA results in EMIS or EAS as they have in previous years.

For the 2023-2024 school year, there are two options to meet the requirement for ECE and PSE programs:

**Option 1:** Assess children funded by <u>ECE</u> or <u>PSE</u> in the set of Ten Required Learning Progressions (including 24 skills, or SKBs) in the fall and spring and report ratings in the Ready for Kindergarten Online (KReady) system. This is the same set of SKBs that ECE and PSE programs have been using for many years.

**Option 2:** Participate in an optional *Early Learning Assessment Pilot*. Assess children funded with a set of 25 SKBs in the fall and spring and enter ratings in the Ready for Kindergarten Online (KReady) system. This is a different set of SKBs derived from the comprehensive ELA and includes a new Oral Motor progression.

Programs using the ELA Pilot to meet the **comprehensive assessment requirement for Step Up To Quality** will assess all children with a set of 34 SKBs in the fall and spring. This is a subset of the full set of SKBs and includes a new Oral Motor progression. See this <u>2023 ELA Pilot Overview document</u> for a list of SKBs included in the pilot. More information about the pilot is found on the <u>ELA for Administrators Webpage</u>.

Please confirm your students are enrolled in the correct data collection. If you have questions about which data collection you should have, contact your administrator or data manager.

## **ELA Training**

The ELA Essentials Training is required for teachers who will be scoring the ELA and have not previously completed an ELA for teachers initial training. See the <u>ELA for Teachers Webpage</u> or the <u>ELA for Administrators Webpage</u> for updated information about upcoming trainings and additional resources.

## For policy and implementation questions:

Visit the Early Learning Assessment website or send an email to ELAHelp@education.ohio.gov.

For technical questions, please contact the Help Desk:

844-K12-OHIO (844-512-6446) <a href="http://www.ohio-k12.help/">http://www.ohio-k12.help/</a>

