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How Districts can Update 2024/2025 Biology End of Course Assessment Scores

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We have been advised that due to some irregularities in the Biology End of Course Assessments for spring and fall windows for the 2024/2025 school year, scores for some students may be changing. Cambium Assessment has sent out correspondence to District Test Coordinators regarding corrections that may need to be made to Biology End of Course assessment scores. Not all students need corrections but many do. Their message is displayed below for your reference. Once your districts that need to make corrections have obtained the corrected file, these are the steps they need to take to import the records.

1. Be certain to put the school year context to **2024/2025**. By doing this, the new file should update any incorrect scores for the assessment, and the scores that do not change will remain the same.
2. Import the file as usual.
3. Review the Management Import screen for any errors.
4. Your district may want to do this in the Play/Test environment first, just to make sure it works as they expect it to.

Here is the correspondence that has been sent by the testing company with instructions on how to obtain the corrected files.

*"Dear District Test Coordinator,
As communicated to districts in November, the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, working with Cambium Assessment, identified a scoring issue affecting one question on the 2024-2025 Biology End-of-*

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who deserved credit for that test item are awarded the proper credit. The scoring issue has been resolved, resulting in increased biology scores for one or more students in your district. No scores decreased. The updated biology scores are now available in the Centralized Reporting System (CRS).

Follow these instructions to view the updated scores.

1. Download the updated test result data files from the Centralized Reporting System for the fall 2024 and spring 2025 biology tests.
 - a. Use Change Reporting Time Period to set the school year to 2024-2025. Do not change the reporting date.
 - b. In the Student Results Generator:
 - i. Check the box for “Include only those students who were mine when they tested.”
 - ii. Select the “Spring 2025 (OST)” test reason.
 - iii. Select the “Biology” subject.
 - iv. Select “All Students.”
 - c. Repeat Step b, changing the test reason to “Fall 2024 (OST).”
2. You may download and print Individual Score Reports for affected students.

Per House Bill 114, if the increase in the student's score qualifies the student for a science seal or an honors diploma seal, the school district or school in which the student was enrolled during the 2024-2025 school year shall award the applicable seal.

We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.

If you have any questions on downloading the data files, please contact Ohio Help Desk at (877) 231-7809 or
at OHHelpDesk@cambiumassessment.com

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