# Alternate Assessment Breakdown Report



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☐ Since the district's total test population is less than 300 and the total number of students participating in the DLM is 3 or less, no justification statement from the district is needed for the moment.

☒ Please provide a narrative that includes the data types and processes that the IEP teams are utilizing to qualify students for the Alternate Assessments (DLM) in the box below and press Save.

IEP teams have been part of ongoing discussions about the DLM participation guidelines set forth by the state of Kansas. Key leaders in Blue Valley have included the participation guidelines in training sessions that have been documented on Canvas for all Special Education teachers. These guidelines are followed and utilized as the main steps in the DLM qualification process. Students must meet all 3 criteria as part of the participation guidelines. They must have a significant cognitive disability. The student must primarily be instructed using the DLM Essential Elements as content standards. Additionally, the student requires extensive direction individualized instruction and substantial supports to achieve measurable gains in the grade-and age-appropriate curriculum. IEP teams monitor the student progress through various data points such as standardized assessments, formative assessments, and observation tools. There are frequent numbers of students who improve during the school year and are removed from DLM assessments as well.

☒ What are the district's next steps to ensure that annually the appropriate test is administered to each student?

We continue to overly train our Special Education staff members and administrators regarding the participation guidelines for the DLM assessment. In addition, we review the data provided by KSDE with individual buildings when data exceeds the state target. Key staff members continue to consult on individual situations when IEP teams are struggling to make a determination about the best assessment options. Lastly, we continue to review the ongoing DLM participation numbers throughout the year to assist with compliance monitoring.