



Opportunity for Science Educators



Item Content and Bias Review
June 17 - 21, 2024
Independent Review with Virtual Group Feedback Session

Dear Educator,

The Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA) Partners (America Samoa, Arizona, BIE, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Maine, U.S. Virgin Islands and Vermont), in collaboration with Cognia are inviting a team of diverse educators to participate in a content and bias review of science field test items developed for the 2025 administration of the assessment. Given your specific expertise and experience, MSAA Partners would like to invite you to consider applying for the review panel.

Next Steps:

To apply for this opportunity please follow the link below to provide your information.

Link to apply: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/IRCScience2024>

Cognia is the assessment contractor to MSAA and will be responsible for this review. Once MSAA has confirmed the selected participants, Cognia will contact you to notify you on May 16th of your status and provide you with the link to formally register as a participant.

Selected panelists will need to commit to the following:

- **Training:** Attend a live (virtual) orientation training on Monday June 17, 2024, from 3-5 p.m. ET.
- **Review:** Complete review of content and bias for science items for the grade you are assigned (Gr. 5, 8 or HS). Please allot for approximately three hours total to complete your independent review. The review period is scheduled Monday through Friday morning, so that you may complete your review at a time and pace that best suits your schedule.
- **Submit work:** Upload your feedback from your review to the secure File Transfer Protocol (FTP) site by 8 a.m. ET on June 21. FTP account information will be provided to you.
- **June 21:** Attend the virtual Group Feedback Session for the grade you are assigned

The schedule of activities for this review are outlined below:

Time (Eastern)	Activity
Monday, June 17	
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Large Group Orientation/Guided Practice and Tech Check (virtual)
Monday, June 17 – Friday, June 21	
n/a	Panelists complete an independent review of item content & bias for the items in their assigned grade. Panelists must upload feedback forms to the FTP by 8 a.m. ET on 6/21
Friday, June 21	
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Grade 5 – Virtual Group Feedback Discussion – <i>*Required for gr. 5 panelists</i>
3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Grades 8 & 11 – Virtual Group Feedback Discussion (two breakout groups) <i>*Required for Gr.8 & HS panelists</i>

Substitute Reimbursement/Stipend

If you are selected to participate in this review, you may be eligible for a stipend or substitute reimbursement. Please see details below:

The actual cost of substitute expenses will be paid to the school district for individuals who must take leave to participate in the Science Item Content and Bias Review virtual group feedback discussion on Friday, June 21.

Individuals who complete the independent review and attend the group discussion, who are not being paid under contract, or who chose to complete the work outside of their typical contracted day, will be provided a \$150.00 stipend. A stipend request form will be provided to you.

For individuals under contract, who will be completing the work during the contracted day without a substitute, neither applies and no reimbursement or stipend is provided.

If you are considering the opportunity to participate and would like additional information, please contact your MSA State Coordinator, Donald Griffin, donald.griffin@bie.edu, (703) 282-3316.

Thank you for considering this opportunity.