

## Accommodations Manual Draft Released by PARCC

A critical issue to **ALL** educators is the decision by our assessment partner, PARCC, on what accommodations will be available for the Next Generation Assessments. PARCC is currently soliciting feedback on their draft accommodations manual. **Educators can learn about the design of the Next Generation Assessments by examining the specific accommodations.** The manual outlines the proposed policy for **all of the technology supports for students taking the computer-based PARCC summative assessments**, including proposed accommodations for students with disabilities and English learners. No registration is required. **I highly recommend the viewing of these webinars in PLC or grade groups and providing written feedback to PARCC.**

The ADE will be presenting two webinars on the draft PARCC Accommodation Manual (PAM). There will be two opportunities for participation in the webinar on either:

**Wednesday, May 8th at 2:30 p.m. or Thursday, May 9th at 10:00 a.m.**

The webinar will also be recorded and available for review after May 9th. This would allow your team to examine the webinar when time is available. The connection information is:

Meeting Name: **PARCC Accommodation Manual Draft**

Summary: The ADE Special Education and Assessment Units present an overview of the draft PARCC Accommodations Manual open for public comment.

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