



Des Moines Public Schools FastBridge Testing: Deleting a Score and Retesting Guidance

Deleting a test score and retesting a student is justified when situations occur that may impact the accuracy of assessment results. In general, preventing invalid assessments is preferable to retesting students after a bad testing experience. If there are known circumstances that may produce invalid results, it is best to not test the student until the issue is resolved.

Some of the situations that retesting **may** be considered include:

- A student forgot their glasses
- A student becomes ill during the assessment
- A student refuses to complete the assessment
- A teacher incorrectly scored the assessment
- Rare circumstances: family crisis, fire alarm, etc.

Students **should not be retested** if a teacher believes:

“He/she can do better.”

“We know he/she knows this.”

- If a student needs to be retested, please wait a week before retesting-if possible. This reduces the likelihood of an immediate practice effect.
- If you delete a score from a prior period, you will not be able to access that period to retake the test.
- Once a score is deleted, the score cannot be retrieved.

If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Slinger.