



**2009 National Assessment of Educational Progress
Rhode Island Specific Guidance for Completing the Student with Disabilities (SD)
and English Language Learner (ELL) Questionnaires**

Please review the **Rhode Island** specific instructions for completing the SD and/or ELL Questionnaires assigned to you by the NAEP school coordinator.

| Section/Question | SD Questionnaire | ELL Questionnaire |
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| Question 1. | Option D – Rhode Island allows all students certain accommodations, such as extended time and preferential seating. If a student does not have an IEP or 504 plan and needs an accommodation to access the test, mark option D in this question. | Option B – Rhode Island uses the term “monitored” to refer to students who are still considered ELL but have exited the formal ELL program in their school. The state policy for formerly (monitored) ELL is as follows: Students identified as ELL, who have exited ELL programs in the last two years, should be included in the ELL subgroup. |
| Decision Tree | <p>Option C – Takes an alternate or modified assessment. The alternate assessment in Rhode Island is the Rhode Island Alternate Assessment (RIAA).</p> <p>Decision C – Students taking the RIAA most likely will not be included in the NAEP assessment.</p> | <p>Option C – Takes simplified English or native language state academic assessment.</p> <p>Decision C – The NECAP assessments do not contain a simplified English or native language component. For this reason, do not select Option C.</p> <p>Option D – Does not take the state academic assessment.</p> <p>Decision D – In Rhode Island, students who are new to the U.S. for less than one year do not need to take the reading test. They should participate in any other subject area test (math, science, U.S. History, Civics)</p> |
| Accommodations Chart | <p>Please refer to the 2009 Rhode Island NAEP Accommodations Chart to see how the NAEP accommodations compare to NECAP accommodations and to make sure that the student’s required accommodations are provided by NAEP.</p> <p>Testing Over Multiple Days – Even though NAEP does not allow testing over multiple days, the NAEP assessment is composed of two 25-minute subject matter blocks and a series of background questions that take approximately 15-minutes to complete. The NAEP assessment is considerably shorter than our state assessments, so most students should not need testing over multiple days on NAEP. Students may receive breaks during the assessment, extended time and small group testing. Additionally, NAEP is a timed, but not speeded test.</p> | |

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| | Calculators on Mathematics Assessments – Like NECAP, NAEP has calculator active and inactive blocks. Some students will receive calculator active blocks. The NAEP field staff will provide calculators for students to use on the calculator active blocks. | |
| Question 5 | We want to be as inclusive as possible on the NAEP assessment, so only exclude students who cannot demonstrate what they know and can do in the selected NAEP subject with the allowable accommodations. | |
| Question 6 | Since students taking the RIAA may have difficulty accessing a “paper-and-pencil” test, they most likely will be excluded from NAEP. | Students that do not take the NECAP reading assessment because of their limited time in the U.S. will not be included on the NAEP reading assessment. |

For questions or concerns about completing the Student with Disabilities (SD) or English Language Learner (ELL) Questionnaires please contact your School Testing Coordinator.