Pearson Classroom Assessment Products, Assessment Platform Privacy Policy

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Introduction

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Purpose of this Site

Pearson Classroom Assessment Products (“CAP”) Platform is an education data portal with various features designed for use by a variety of education stakeholders, including educators, parents, and students. Some features of Pearson CAP Assessment Platform are designed for and only available to Education Agency and School District and School authorized staff (“Educators”).

The purpose of the Pearson CAP Assessment Platform features for Educators is to facilitate: (a) enrolment of students for assessments; (b) ordering of assessment-related materials; and (c) assessment record keeping and reporting.

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Access

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Information Collection

Education Agency and School District Personnel: To create an Assessment Program record for a student and register students for an assessment in that Assessment Program, the following information may be collected from Educators through this Site, as specified by the Education Agency sponsoring the Assessment Program: student’s name, date of birth, gender, state-wide identifier, student’s first language, ethnicity, grade level, participating in an Individualized Education Program (IEP). Other demographic information may also be collected if so specified by the Education Agency for the Assessment Program. To order materials related to an Assessment Program, the following personal information may be collected: name, school district, address, phone number, and quantity. If Pearson receives inquiries or emails about or through the Site from Educators, Pearson may keep a record of the email, correspondence and comments, including the individual’s name, school district or organization name and email address in order to reply to the communication, perform Site support and issue resolution and maintain business records concerning this Site.

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Information Access and Correction

Only an authorized Educator may enter data on a student’s record through this Site. An authorized Educator may review the student record on this Site, make student record changes, review available assessment reports and otherwise track data for that student. An Educator may contact Pearson at PearsonAccessPrivacy@pearson.com if the Educator believes there may be an issue with a student record, an assessment report, or encounters any issues in accessing or correcting information through this Site.

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Precautions to be Taken by Users

User information and access to this Site is password protected for the privacy and protection of student personal and student assessment data. Educators, Parents and Student users are urged to keep confidential all user information and passwords. If storage of this information is required, it is recommended that it be kept in a secure location. To protect data, users should always log off when exiting this Site and not divulge or share user identification or passwords with anyone.

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