South Dakota Science Assessment

2019 Winter Assessment Workshop

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- Background Information
  - Assessment based on standards adopted in 2015
  - Only assesses Disciplinary Core Ideas (DCI)
  - Only grades 5, 8, and 11 are assessed
    - Standards assessed are across grade spans
      - Grade 5: grades 3-5 standards
      - Grade 8: grades 6-8 standards
      - Grade 11: high school standards

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- Curriculum/Classroom Resources

- Full Standards found here:

http://doe.sd.gov/contentstandards/documents/sdSciStnd.pdf

- Disciplinary Core Ideas (Appendix A):

http://doe.sd.gov/contentstandards/documents/ApxA-DCIP.pdf

- NSTA Resources

  Curriculum: http://ngss.nsta.org/Curriculum-Planning.aspx

  Classroom Resources:

  http://ngss.nsta.org/Classroom-Resources.aspx

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- Assessment Design
  - Similar to last year
    - Questar is still test vendor
    - 3 sections of questions as in the past
    - New item types introduced
      - Examples in practice test
  - Each grade-level test will have 60 operational items and 10 field test items across 3 strands
    - Strands are Physical, Life, and Earth Space Science
    - New items written to fill any gaps
    - Items evenly mixed as much as possible in 3 sections

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- Grades 5, 8, and 11 all have 3 session tests

- Estimated testing times:

	Grade 5	Grade 8	Grade 11
Science	1.8–2.3 hours	1.8–2.3 hours	1.8–2.3 hours
First Session	35–45 min.	35–45 min.	35–45 min.
Second Session	35–45 min.	35–45 min.	35–45 min.
Third Session	35–45 min.	35–45 min.	35–45 min.
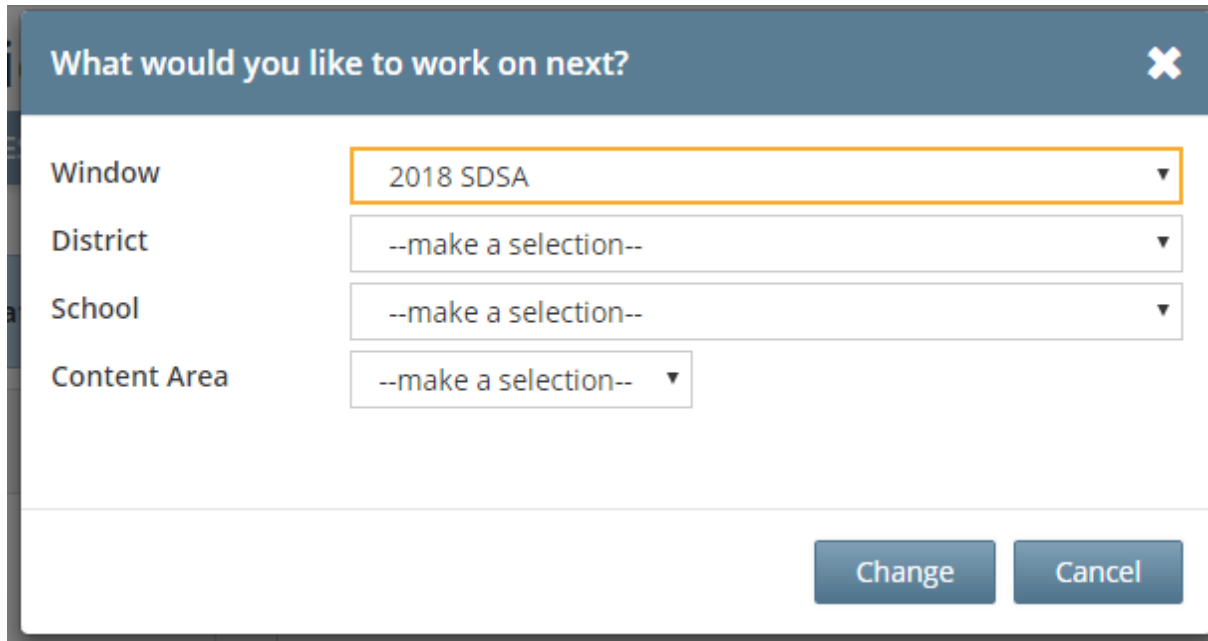
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- Test Window
  - April 1-May 3, 2019

- Questar Webinars (tentative dates)
  - March 19: Tech Set Up for Tech Coordinators
    - 3-4 pm
  - March 20: South Dakota Science
    - 10-11 am and again at 3-4 pm
  - March 21: South Dakota Science Alt
    - 10-11 am and again at 3-4 pm

    Presentations will be recorded and posted in Nextera after editing

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- Updates/Changes

  - Testing Platform – Nextera

  - Default after login is 2018 SDSA – make sure you change it to 2019 SDSA

What would you like to work on next?
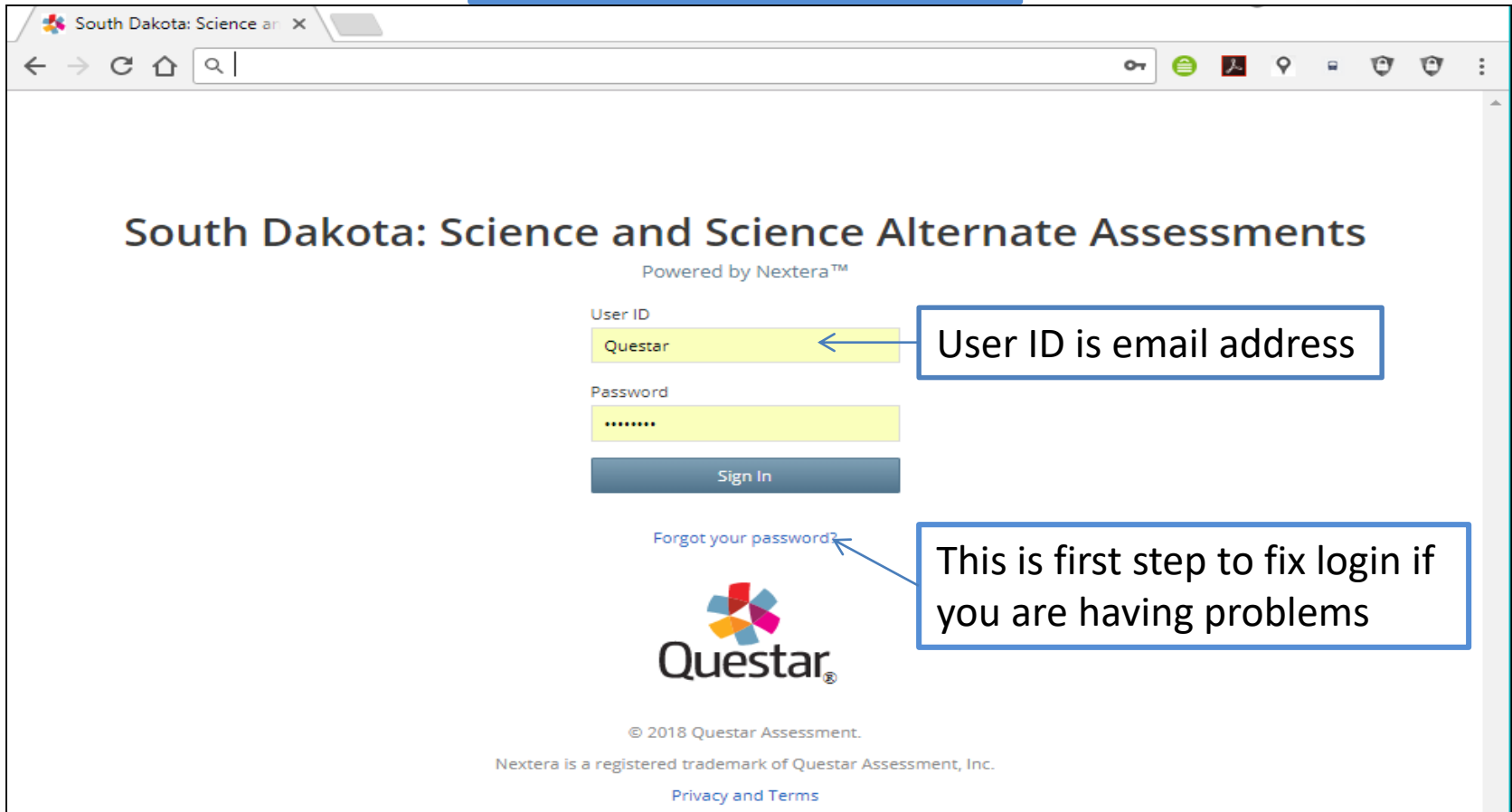
Window	2018 SDSA ▾
District	--make a selection-- ▾
School	--make a selection-- ▾
Content Area	--make a selection-- ▾

Change   Cancel

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Login Page

Chrome is preferred browser

User ID is email address

This is first step to fix login if you are having problems

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- District Administrator
  - Whoever is listed as Assessment Coordinator in DOE database will receive login email from Questar
  - Responsible for creating all other accounts in district
  - One DA account per district
  - District Coordinator account has all of the same permissions

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Home Page

Proctor password for your school or all schools in your district depending on your permission level

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- Home Page
  - Announcements
  - Information available depends upon permission levels of different account types
    - District level accounts see all schools in district
    - School level accounts only see that school
    - Important for student data security

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Students Tab

Students must be in classes to view on this page

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- Students were loaded from a one-time pull from SD's longitudinal data system
  - If information was incorrect in Campus, it will be incorrect in SDSA/SDSA-Alt
    - Make sure it is correct before testing
- District Administrator or Coordinator can transfer students between schools
- SD DOE can transfer students between districts or add new students to system
- Accommodations set under **VIEW** tab

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- How to set Accommodations
  - Make sure students are assigned to a class
  - Under "Students" tab click the "View" button for the student you need to set Accommodations

SSID	First Name	MI	Last Name	Class	Grade	
1902000000	StudentFirst		TTS	SC1905101A (TeacherFirst TeacherLast)	05	View

  - You will now need to click "Edit"

View Student

You're Viewing: **StudentFirst TTS**   Set Not Tested Code   Edit

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- Edit Student Record
  - Scroll Down to the Accommodations section select "Modify" to select proper accommodations for student

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- A new window should pop up that allows you to select the different accommodations
  - Online Testing Accommodations

Select Accommodations

Student Name StudentFirst TTS

Content Area [Science ▼]

| Online Testing Accommodations | Offline Testing Accommodations | Classroom Accommodations |

Tap or click any option below to enable or disable it for this student.

S107 - Answer Masking
This tool hides answers that the students select, allowing the students to focus on just the answers they want. Clicking on answer choices reveals them to the students.

Text-to-Speech
This feature reads the question and, for certain types of questions, the available answers using a device's speaker (headphones are recommended).

S102 - Reverse Contrast (Color Contrast)
When this setting is turned on, all text is white on black background. *It can't be used with Background Color.*

S103 - Color Overlay
This setting changes the color of the background and text based on the selection made. *It can't be used with Reverse Contrast.*

Initial Page Zoom
This adjusts the default zoom level of the testing area. It can be adjusted during the test at any time.

Read Aloud (Online)
This indicates that the student will take the test online, but that all or part of the question and answers will be read aloud by the teacher. *This may not be used with any print variations or offline testing accommodations.*

Save   Cancel

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– Offline Testing Accommodations

– Classroom Accommodations
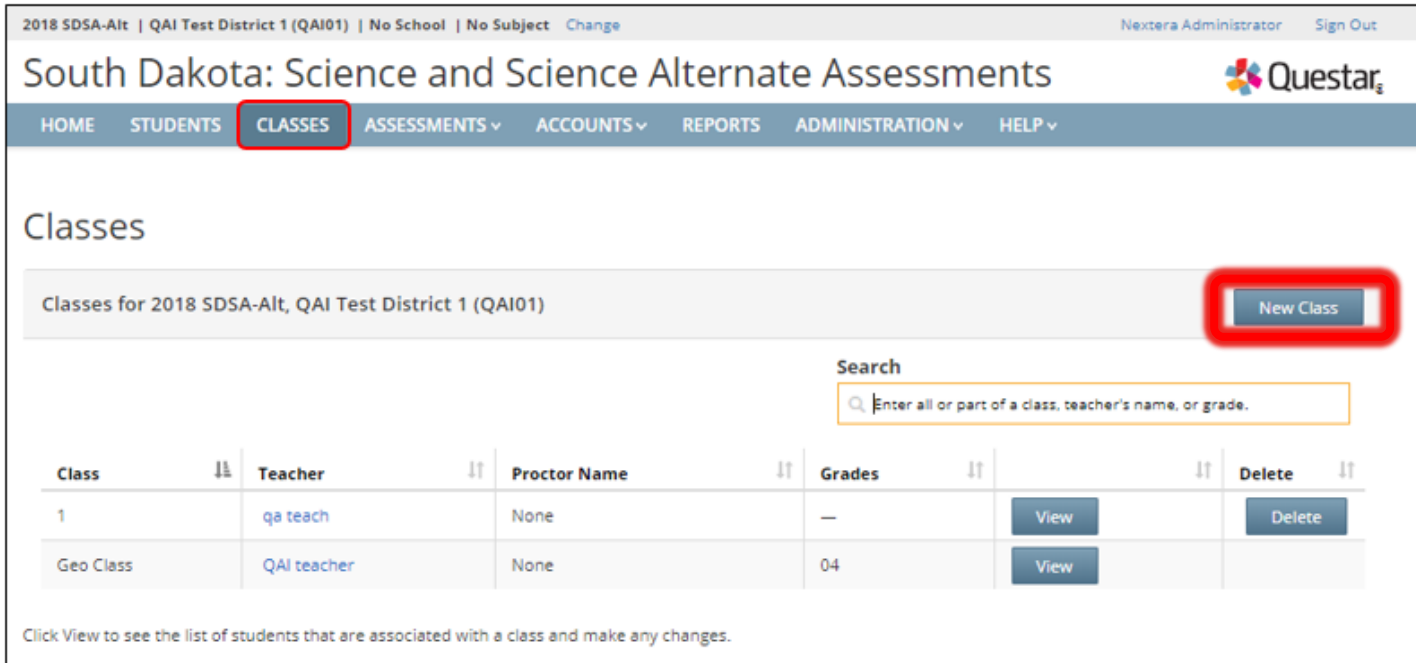
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- Accommodations Continued
  - Remember to select "Save" when finished
  - Remember to select "Save" again on the overall "Edit Student Record" page
  - You should now be back on the "View Student" page
  - Verify accommodations selected by checking to see which ones are highlighted in blue in the proper section at the bottom

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Classes Tab

- Students must be placed into a class for testing
- Students can only be in one class
- All students could be rostered to one teacher

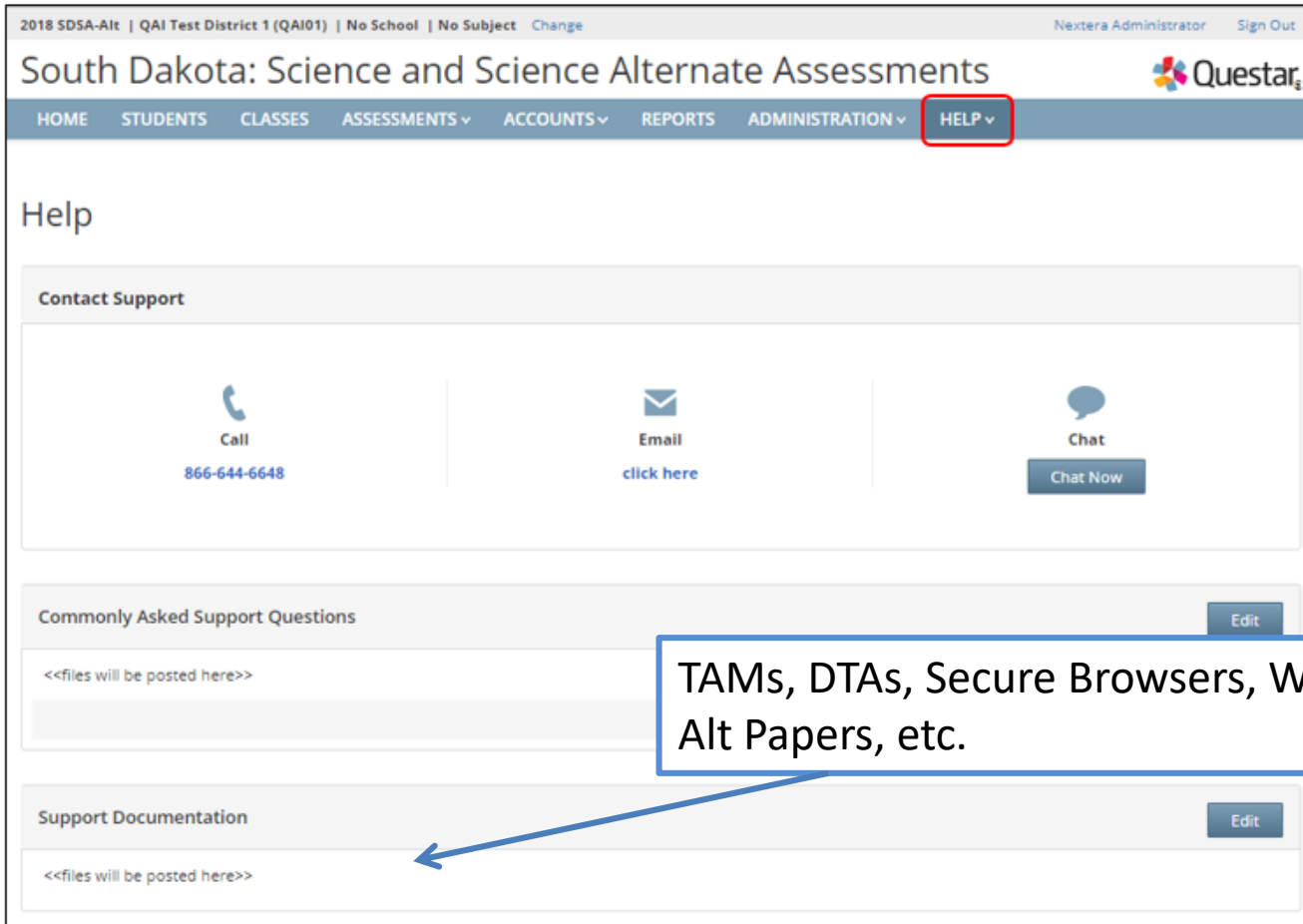# South Dakota Science Assessment

Accounts Tab

Only 1 login needed for multiple accounts

View depends upon permission level of account

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- Accounts Available
  - District Administrator-DA- 1 per district
  - District Coordinator-DC- same permissions as DA
  - School Coordinator-SC
  - Building Level User – same permissions as SC
  - Tech Coordinator-TC
    - Only have access to download secure browser
  - Test Administrator-TA
    - Certified Teacher actually giving the test
  - Test Proctor
    - Anyone else in the room helping to monitor students. Only have access to sign the security agreement

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Help Tab

TAMs, DTAs, Secure Browsers, Webinars, Alt Papers, etc.

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- When to contact District Administrator or DC/SC
  - You need an account/access to administration center
 - Unable to access account even after using "forgot your password?" link on login page

- When to contact Questar Support
  - Unable to access account even after DA/DC reset it in the system
  - Secure browser or other technical issues before/during/and after testing

- When to contact SD DOE
  - Any testing policy questions
  - Student missing in system and needs to be added or transferred from another district

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- Switching to SD Science Assessment-Alt
  - Click "Change" along upper banner
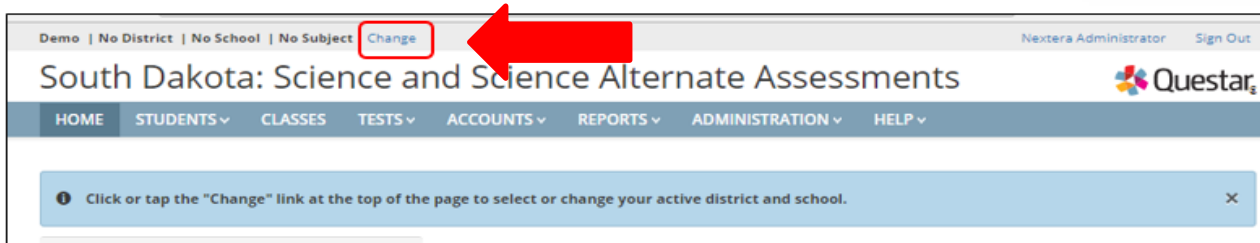
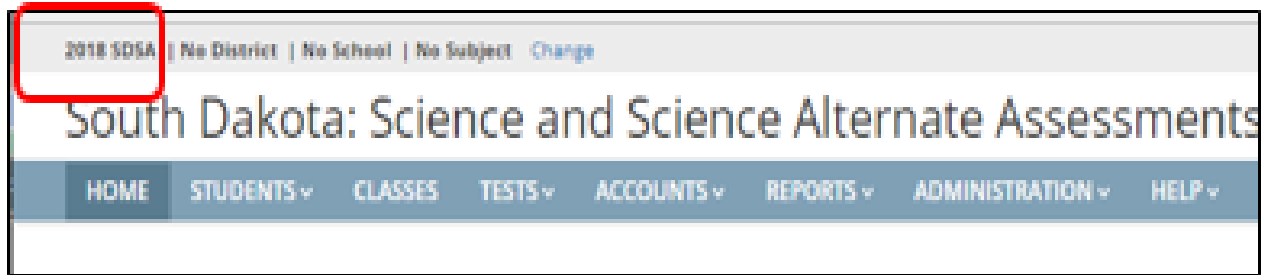
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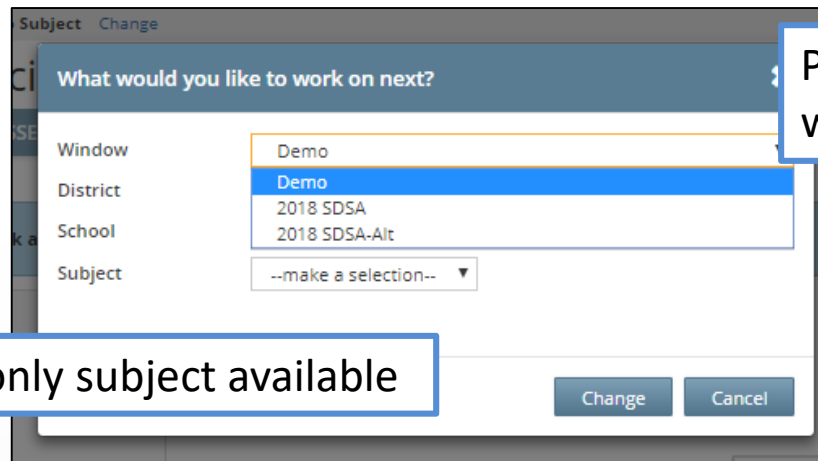
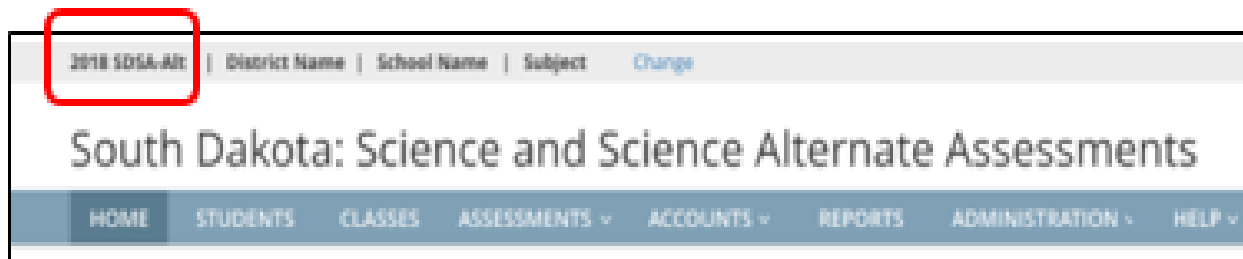Permission level determines what is selectable

Science will be only subject available

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- Verify you are in the correct admin system
  - "2019 SDSA" in upper left corner

  - "2019 SDSA-Alt" in upper left corner

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- Reminders
  - Secure Browsers available mid-February
  - Nextera opens March 4
  - Students available March 18
  - Test window opens April 1 and closes May 3
  - All testing must be completed by 5 pm CST/4 pm MST

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Any Questions?

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