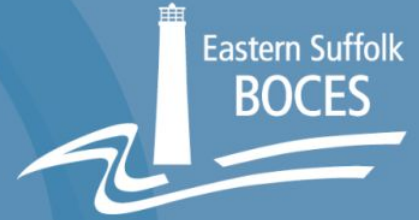


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Assessment Services – Scoring & Training

Reminders & Important Guidelines

Not-Tested Codes & Accountability

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Validity Rules & Not-Tested Codes

The primary standard achieved codes used to report students who do not receive a valid test score are:

- **Code 96:** Refusal
- **Code 99:** Absent or No Valid Score
- **Code 97:** Administrative Error
- **Code 93:** Medically Excused
- **Code 86:** Exempt due to a Major Life Event



Validity Rules, Not-Tested Codes, & ESSA Accountability

Code	Reason	Counts Against WAA?	Counts Against CSP?	Counts Against Participation?
96	Refusal	Yes	No	Yes
99	Absent or No Valid Score	Yes	No	Yes
97	Administrative Error	Yes	No	Yes
93	Medically Excused (NYS 3-8 & NYSESLAT)	No	No	No
86	Major Life Event Exemption	Yes*	No	Yes

- **WAA** = Weighted Average Achievement indicator
- **CSP** = Core Subject Performance indicator
- **Participation** = Federally required 95% participation rate in ELA and Math.

* Students granted a Major Life Event Exemption *who do not have another assessment record with a valid score for that subject* are counted as “not tested” for the WAA. Note that the exemption may have a *positive* impact on the Graduation indicator for that student’s cohort.

