



**Memorandum of Understanding: 2015-2016
For New & Returning Participants
Nebraska State Accountability Check 4 Learning System**

The Nebraska Department of Education will continue to offer the interim assessment system and state item bank known as **Check4Learning (C4L)**.

This system will allow districts to “check for learning” on student performance on Nebraska academic content standards in reading, mathematics, and science throughout the 2015-16 school year and to adjust instruction prior to district administration of the summative NeSA tests in the spring.

Participation by districts is strictly voluntary. C4L will be made available only to districts that choose to participate and sign a Memorandum of Understanding, agreeing to specific conditions. The C4L Memorandum of Understanding will commit the district to specific contributions to the system.

As Superintendent of _____, I, _____
District Name Superintendent Name

am committing our district to participate in the Nebraska Department of Education’s Check4Learning (C4L) system in 2015-2016. I understand that participation in this assessment system will not require any direct payment to the NDE, but our district will commit to the following resource commitment based on our current status:

*Please mark one of the following.

Returning C4L District

Districts that participated in any previous year will send 1-3 staff members to the 2-day NeSA ELA Transition Professional Development in October 2105. The professional development will be held in 5 locations across the state. DACs will receive an email detailing the registration process in August. There will be registration fees for the professional development to include lunch.

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| Oct. 8-9 Scottsbluff | Oct. 12-13 Lincoln |
| Oct. 14-15 Omaha | Oct. 19-20 West Point |
| Oct. 21-22 Kearney | |

New C4L District

New Districts will need to send 1-3 staff members to the 2-day Ocoberfest detailed above. In addition, new C4L districts agree to provide 3 staff members to participate in alignment of current C4L items to new ELA standards. Details to be determined between NDE and participating districts.

Terms of the Agreement

To be effective, this MOU and accompanying contact sheet shall be signed, dated and submitted to the NDE Assessment Office no later than **August 31, 2015**, and will remain in effect until May 31, 2016.

NDE will not reimburse travel, lodging, meals, substitutes or pay stipends. Districts will be responsible for paying their own staff costs.

You may fax, scan or mail the forms to NDE by **August 31, 2015**. It is effective upon receipt by NDE.

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The school district agrees that NDE, and its officials, employees, and agents will not be liable to the district or any of its officials in regard to the district's use of Check4Learning.

Either party may terminate the agreement without liability upon five days' written notice to the other.

As Superintendent, I have read the above Memorandum of Understanding and agree to its terms on behalf of the school district below:

Signature

Date

School District