



Vector Release Notes

New Mexico Assessment of Science Readiness

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The following features are included in the most recent release of Kite® Educator Portal (EP) and Kite Student Portal (SP).

New features:

- **Analytic Rubrics** – Added support for Analytic Rubrics including the ability to manually score responses with multiple rubric categories.
- **Personal Needs & Preferences Screens** – Updated the look and feel of the PNP page with a more organized layout, embedded and non-embedded tools and helpful descriptions which can be toggled on and off.
- **User Management across applications** – Enhanced the workflow for authentication and user management. Reworked how roles are assigned and permissions granted.
- **Accountability District & School Edits** – You can now edit a student’s Accountability District and Accountability School directly in the EP. Previously, a CSV upload was needed to perform this edit. Users will now see a dropdown list of available organizations from which to select, when viewing student demographic details on the Students screen.
- **Speech to Text tool** – In Kite Student Portal, students with a PNP setting for the speech to text tool can use this tool on extended response items. This allows a student to speak a response and have that transcribed into the text entry box, where it can then be edited further, if needed.

Updated features:

- **Upgraded Tables** – Based on user feedback, several of the tables and data extracts in EP may have additional information including new columns, new sorting and new filtering options.
- **Minor UI Changes** – In our attempts to improve the look and feel of the Kite Suite, you may notice minor UI changes to colors, shapes, shading, highlighting, and table/grid configuration. While no processes or functions are changing, these updates will bring our applications further into uniformity for all users.

Annual summer upgrades

- **Updated technologies for security and accessibility** – Kite Suite application technologies are updated to industry standards regarding security and accessibility. Components of the Kite system have been upgraded with the latest technologies to keep our applications secure and stable across all assessment programs.