

## Data Repositories for DIBELS Assessments

### Explanation:

There are three "legitimate" sites for retrieving DIBELS data and two sets of cut scores or Foundational Assessment Test Structure (FATS) files to produce the data displayed in the way districts want them. Those three sites include:

<https://acadiencelearning.net/>

[DIBELS UofO](#)

[VPort Voyager Learning.](#)

We understand that Roland Good & Ruth Kaminski (Dynamic Measurements Group - DMG) are the original authors of DIBELS. Unfortunately, they broke away from the University of Oregon (UofO) a few years ago. However, the U of O still has rights to support DIBELS, including being a data repository for school districts' data. However, the original authors now have their data repository (and a slightly different data extract format), which some of our districts use. There is also a VPort online system for DIBELS Next by Voyager Sopris Learning, another DIBELS data repository. Because we have districts using one of these three systems, our DIBELS auto-loader must support the different student score file formats.

To add to the confusion, the UofO has published a separate set of cut scores from DMG which they claim to be "better." We don't believe VPort has its cut scores, so we 'only' have to handle two sets of cut scores instead of three. Most districts that SchoolData works with have stayed with the DMG cut scores, but we leave it up to the districts to decide which set of cut scores (FATS) to use.

The various data repositories and cut scores (FATS) sometimes create confusion, and we apologize for that.

To learn how to retrieve data from your particular repositories to upload into the SchoolData applications, see the appropriate article:

[Acadience Extract Procedure for Upload](#)

[DIBELS Next VPort Extract Procedure for Auto-Upload](#)