

Dear parents,

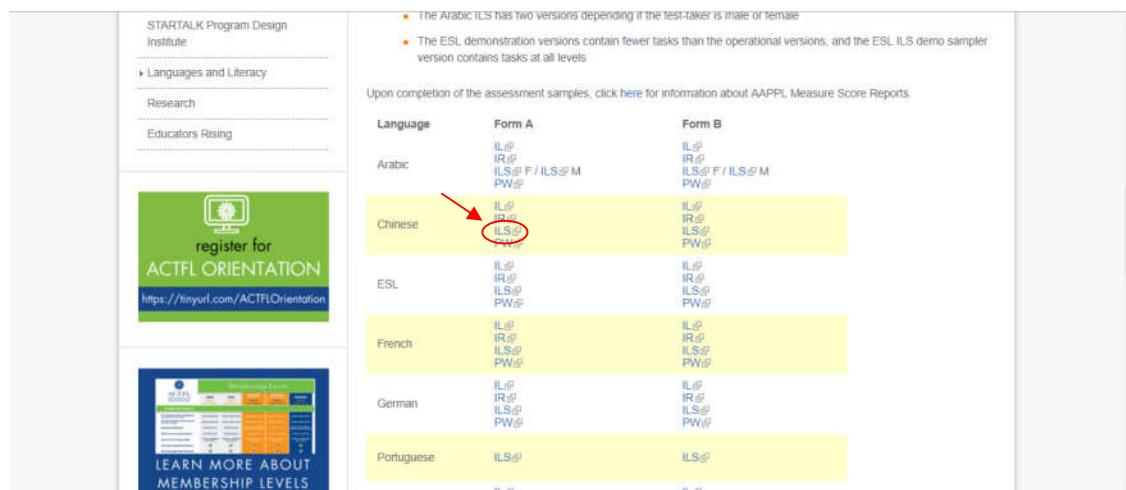
According to USBE, 3rd grader will be testing AAPPL (All Modes Performance Assessment) online this year. The testing window will be October 23rd through November 17th. The AAPPL Measure provides seamless, realistic role-play scenarios using high-quality audio and video that create real-world tasks for students. Test takers are greeted by a video of their teacher who guides them through their day in a Standards-based classroom.

3rd graders will take the section that involves a headset with microphone and asking and answering questions of a student they see and hear on the computer. It is prerecorded, but it pretty well done for a simulated conversation. There're **45 seconds** for each student to answer each question. They have to answer question during *GREEN LIGHT*, recording time, and **NO ENGLISH**. They have to say as **much Chinese as they can** during 45 seconds. They are supposed to **answer the complete or long sentences** in each question, **not short answer**.

Because this will be 3rd graders' first time to do AAPPL, we will practice demo couple times at school. If you can let your children to practice at home, it will make great benefit on them.

The following procedure will help you to set it up and choose the right demo test for 3rd graders at home.

1. Click the following website. If you can't find it, you could search Google "**ACTFL AAPPL DEMO**". It's quite easy to find it.
<https://www.actfl.org/assessment-professional-development/assessments-the-actfl-testing-offer/aappl/demo>
2. Click **Chinese Form A ILS**. It's very important to choose the right one Form A ILS. ILS means Interpersonal Listening and Speaking.



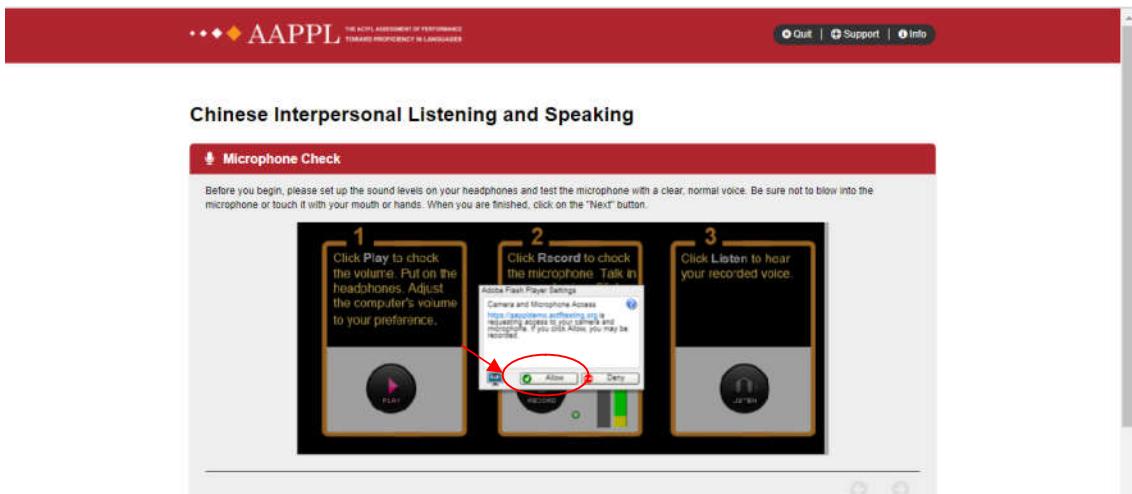
The screenshot shows the ACTFL AAPPL DEMO website. On the left, there's a sidebar with links for STARTALK Program Design Institute, Languages and Literacy Research, and Educators Rising. Below that is a green button with the text "register for ACTFL ORIENTATION" and a link "https://tinyurl.com/ACTFLOrientation". At the bottom of the sidebar is another button with the text "LEARN MORE ABOUT MEMBERSHIP LEVELS". The main content area has a heading "Upon completion of the assessment samples, click here for information about AAPPL Measure Score Reports." Below this is a table with two columns: "Language" and "Form A" and "Form B". The "Language" column lists Arabic, Chinese, ESL, French, German, and Portuguese. The "Form A" column lists IL[♂], IR[♂], ILS[♂]/ILS[♀], and PW[♂]. The "Form B" column lists IL[♂], IR[♂], ILS[♂], and PW[♂]. In the "Chinese" row, the "ILS[♂]/ILS[♀]" cell is circled in red, and a red arrow points to it from the top-left. The "Form B" column for Chinese also has a circled "ILS[♂]" cell.

| Language | Form A | Form B |
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| Arabic | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] /ILS [♀] PW [♂] | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] /ILS [♀] PW [♂] |
| Chinese | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS[♂]/ILS[♀] PW [♂] | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] PW [♂] |
| ESL | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] PW [♂] | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] PW [♂] |
| French | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] PW [♂] | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] PW [♂] |
| German | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] PW [♂] | IL [♂] IR [♂] ILS [♂] PW [♂] |
| Portuguese | ILS [♂] | ILS [♂] |
| | IL [♂] | IL [♂] |

3. Then, please follow the instructions to test your audio and microphone. The instructions are in English. **Click sign in.**



4. Click Allow.



5. Complete microphone check 1, 2 and 3. When completing, click next.



6. Read the introduction and click next.
7. After setting up, your children could practice at home.

We will practice couple times at school before AAPPL test window. However, practice will make perfect. If students can practice at home, more practice will let your children not nervous to speak Chinese to a computer. Let us make your children succeed in their first AAPPL test.

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