



HMH Science Dimensions Back to School Update – September 2017

This document outlines important updates to *HMH Science Dimensions* in the *Ed: Your Friend in Learning* teaching and learning system for September 2017.

Customers of *HMH Science Dimensions* may have experienced limitations and technical difficulties with *Ed: Your Friend in Learning*. Here you will find what’s available now along with new capabilities being developed with estimated timelines and resolutions to help make the teaching and learning experience the best it can be in the following areas:

- **Rostering**
- **Assessment**
- **Functionality/Content Availability**
- **Offline Access**

Rostering

The *Ed: Your Friend in Learning* teaching and learning system was optimized to use standard rostering methods, such as Simple File Format, OneRoster, etc. For the best rostering experience with *Ed*, we encourage you to use a file format. Instructions to walk you through this process are readily available on the rostering portion of our [Back to School](#) support site.

If you are a teacher rostering students through *Ed* on your own, we intend to add the ability to remove students from a class and archive a class by early November, 2017. We will also include the ability for administrators to turn off manual rostering for teachers mid-November, 2017.

Additional customer resources for rostering include: [FAQs](#), instructional [videos](#), links to [Import Management](#) and [Online Help Center](#).

Assessment

All grade K-8 *HMH Science Dimensions and Earth and Space Science* assessments are available to launch and assign. Teacher scored assessments with open-response questions are available, however a teacher may encounter lesson assessments that cannot be manually scored at this time. We are working to add assessment capabilities to *HMH Science Dimensions* Assessments that include:

Capability	Estimated Time
Biology: <i>HMH Science Dimensions Biology</i> Middle-of-Year and End-of-Year assessments are not yet available.	early-October, 2017
Performance Based Assessments for all <i>HMH Science Dimensions</i> programs are not yet available online. However, they are available in downloadable print pdf format through the Resources menu on <i>Ed</i> .	mid-October, 2017

Starting in a few months, you will begin to see new functionality around customization of online assessments.



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Functionality & Content Availability

Some customers may be experiencing limitations as *Ed* functionality continues to improve and evolve.

Content Availability:	Estimated Availability
<i>You Solve-Its</i> : These resources will be made available over the next several months.	early-November, 2017
Automated audio-reading is currently available. Human Voice audio-readings of the eBook text will be available in the coming months.	mid-November, 2017

Planned Improvements:	Estimated Availability
Allowing Teachers to review student work within the eBook.	mid-October, 2017
Students will be able to see how they scored on an assessment.	mid-November, 2017
Grades 6-8 videos will be playable in the eBook in the coming months.	mid-November, 2017

Offline Access via the HMH Player App

An update to the *HMH Player* app will be available in **mid-October, 2017**. This update will integrate program content from *HMH Science Dimensions*, providing you with offline access to the eBook. The *HMH Player* app will also allow students to download individual eBook lessons and utilize resources such as bookmarks, highlights and annotations.

Where can you go for help?

Our Technical Support Group is happy to assist you with any questions you may have regarding these new features. Please do not hesitate to contact them at techsupport@hmhco.com, 800.323.9239, or (+1) 973.368.0392.

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