Release Notes

Insights Release 2026.02.01

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The Janison Insights Release **2026.02.01** includes bug fixes and improvements.

Bug fixes

People

- We have updated the student imports so that the "Current Year Level" value from the AST file now maps directly to the Year first class property on the user record. This ensures enrolment workflows can reliably use the Year value and that updates to Current Year Level are reflected in the Year property when imports are reprocessed. (JIRA: INS-11029)

- We have fixed an issue with AST student imports where the Language field was treated as mandatory, causing valid records with a blank Language value to be rejected at parse time. AST files now import correctly when Language is empty or set to a valid code ("1" for English or "2" for Other), while invalid Language values (such as "3") are still blocked with a clear validation error. This aligns Insights with the e-asTTle Upload Specification and ensures schools can successfully import students even when their language is unknown. (JIRA: INS-11125)

Authoring

- We have resolved an issue where text entry input restrictions such as Alphabet and Alphanumeric only accepted basic English characters, preventing authors from entering letters with macrons and other non-ASCII characters. With this update, these restrictions are now language-aware and support letters and numbers from any language, so authors can confidently create text entry questions that accept the full range of characters their students use. (JIRA: INS-10654)

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Delivery

- We have fixed an issue where teachers and principals scoped to a specific org unit could not see any data on the Manage Attempts and Activity Summary screens unless they were given broader tenant-level access. The "Enable selective access to Assessment Events" setting has been restored to Insights and its tenants (enabled by default), so Assessment Events now appear as expected without requiring additional workaround roles, while still allowing tenants to turn on selective access when needed. (JIRA: INS-11086)

Improvements

Delivery

- We have improved how master Parquet files are named when downloaded from Insights. Previously, every export used the same generic name (master_data.parquet). With this update, each downloaded master file now uses a unique, descriptive filename in the format "<ASSESSMENT PROGRAM NAME> - <YYYY-MM-DD> - master_data.parquet", with any invalid Windows filename characters safely stripped out. This makes it much easier for authors and analysts to identify, organise and use the correct export for each assessment program. (JIRA: INS-10985)

New Features

Hybrid Delivery: Assessment Preparation

We have introduced Hybrid Assessment Preparation – new print templates and workflows that make it easier to produce paper tests that are ready for scanning and downstream digital marking.

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2.

What is Hybrid Assessment Preparation?

Hybrid Assessment Preparation adds dedicated "Hybrid Printable Question Sheet" and "Hybrid Printable Answer Sheet" templates to Insights. These templates give you QR-coded pages, OMR-friendly multiple-choice layouts (bubbles or checkboxes), and clearly defined answer areas for short-answer questions, so paper responses can be scanned and processed reliably by your marking solutions.

How it works

- Configure hybrid printing for your tenant

  - Navigate to Settings → Test Designer Settings → Paper Settings.

  - Set Print Template to Hybrid Printable Question Sheet to use the new question layout.

  - Set Test Mark Scheme Print Template to Hybrid Printable Answer Sheet to enable the new answer sheet format.

  - Configure the Automatic Print Dialog option to match your workflow (we recommend leaving it disabled so printing options can be reviewed before bulk printing).

- Print hybrid question sheets

  - From the Test Attempt details page, select one or more attempts.

  - Choose Print Paper Question Sheet.

  - A new tab opens with the hybrid question sheets, ready to print from your browser.

- Print hybrid answer sheets

  - From the Test Attempt details page, select one or more attempts.

  - Use Print → Print Paper Answer Sheet.

  - A new tab opens with the hybrid answer sheets and print options, where you can adjust the Item Label and MCQ presentation (bubbles or checkboxes) before printing.

- What printed answer sheets look like

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- o MCQs are shown using your chosen style (bubbles or checkboxes) positioned clearly beside each option so they are suitable for OMR-style scanning.

- o Short-answer questions include visible lines indicating where students should write, giving a clear answer area that can be used as an OCR zone by downstream systems.

- o QR codes appear in all four corners on every page, encoding the attempt ID, total page count and current page number so scanned pages can be validated and matched to the correct attempt.

Key benefits

- Scan-ready paper tests with QR-coded pages that can be reliably matched to each student's attempt.

- OMR-friendly MCQ layouts (bubbles or checkboxes) without changing how questions are authored.

- Clear answer areas for short-answer questions to support accurate OCR extraction.

- Separate question and answer templates that you can enable per tenant without disrupting existing print setups.

Getting started

- Configure your tenant under Settings → Test Designer Settings → Paper Settings to use:

  - o Hybrid Printable Question Sheet as the default print template for questions.

  - o Hybrid Printable Answer Sheet as the default print template for answer sheets.

- Choose your preferred MCQ presentation (bubbles or checkboxes) in the hybrid templates.

- Use the Test Attempt details page to bulk-print hybrid question and answer sheets for all paper-based assessments.

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4.

Hybrid Delivery: Paper Test Submissions

We have introduced Hybrid Paper Test Submissions – new workflows that let schools upload and scan paper test responses so they can flow into the standard digital marking pipeline.

What is Hybrid Paper Test Submissions?

Hybrid Paper Test Submissions is a new capability in Janison Insights that gives schools a dedicated Paper Scan area under Deliver to bring paper-based responses into the digital marking workflow. It provides a central Paper Test Submissions page to manage uploads and view processing status, supports bulk upload of scanned PDFs and images, and offers a Scan with Device flow so teachers can capture pages on a phone or tablet via the Insights PWA. Each page's four-corner QR codes are used to map it to the correct test attempt, and a back-end pipeline then stores the images, checks completeness, and sends eligible submissions to Azure Document AI (DocAI) for OCR, so paper scripts can be handled and marked alongside online attempts.

How it works

- Open Paper Scan

  - Log in as an Administrator or Teacher.

  - Go to Deliver → Paper Scan to open the Paper Test Submissions page and view detected submissions, statuses, and any issues.

- Upload scanned scripts (bulk upload)

  - Select UPLOAD and choose one or more PDF, JPG or PNG files.

  - Files are processed in the background and appear in the Detected Submissions table as:

    - Uploaded / Sent to marking / Marking Completed for successful submissions, or

    - Missing page: <page number> for submissions where not all pages have been provided.

  - The Issues card shows how many uploads have problems; select View to see details and re-upload missing or corrected pages.

- Scan pages with a phone or tablet

  o Select Scan with Device to display a QR code.

  o Teachers scan this with their device to open the Insights PWA, allow camera access, and align the page so the four corner QR codes sit within the on-screen frame.

  o Tapping capture uploads the page with its attempt ID and page number; a brief confirmation appears and the camera is ready for the next page.

- OCR and marking

  o When all pages for an open attempt are uploaded, the system sends the attempt to Azure DocAI for OCR.

  o Successful attempts are flagged as Paper origin and then follow the usual digital marking workflow.

Key benefits

- End-to-end hybrid delivery that connects paper-based test sittings to the standard digital marking workflow in Insights.

- Reduced admin effort through bulk upload and automated QR-code mapping of pages to the correct test attempts.

- Teacher-friendly, device-agnostic scanning using phones or tablets via the Insights PWA, with clear on-screen guidance.

- Faster, scalable marking powered by Azure DocAI OCR, with confidence data to support quality assurance.

Getting started

- Enable Deliver → Paper Scan for the roles that will manage paper submissions.

- Use print templates with four corner QR codes so pages can be matched to attempts.

- Decide whether schools will mainly use bulk upload (from scanners) or Scan with Device (in classrooms), and provide brief training on using UPLOAD, Scan with Device, and checking the Issues card.

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