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To Education Service Center and District Staff Members:

This communication is to inform you of the following upcoming activities for the 2022–2023 Texas Assessment Program.

SYSTEM UPDATES

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The Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE) has been updated and is now available. All users will be prompted to update their password on their first login for the 2022–2023 school year.

To support the high volume of expected student file uploads this week, files with more than 200 students will be processed offline. The initial validation process may take up to three minutes in the user interface. Do not close the page or attempt to resubmit file uploads during the validation process.

After students have been uploaded to TIDE, there are two mechanisms for exporting student data in the *View/Edit/Export Student* task:

- choose to have the file sent to the TIDE secure inbox (recommended for data sets larger than 10,000 student records), or
- view the results in the user interface and then use the Export All options to save them to your device (exports will be limited to 10,000 student records).

For more information on uploading students, refer to the TIDE training module and the TIDE Enhancements training module in the Learning Management System (LMS).

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STAAR RELEASED TESTS

PDF versions of the 2022 State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®) released tests for reading language arts (RLA), science, and social studies will be available on the [STAAR Released Test Questions](#) webpage beginning August 23. The 2022 STAAR mathematics released tests will be posted in September. In addition to PDF versions of the released tests, answer keys and item rationales will also be available. Districts can also access the online versions of the 2022 released tests through the [Practice Test Site](#).

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

- Logging in to LMS

Before logging in to LMS for the first time this school year, district personnel must log in to TIDE and change their password. District personnel will use their TIDE log in credentials to access LMS in the 2022–2023 school year.

- Available Training Presentations

The following training presentations have been posted to the LMS.

- Technology Requirements for the Texas Assessment Program
- The Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE)
- TIDE Enhancements for the 2022–2023 School Year
- STAAR Alternate 2 Overview
- STAAR Alternate 2 Eligibility
- Texas Through-year Assessment Pilot (TTAP) Overview
- Texas Formative Assessment Resource (TFAR) Authoring System
 - Authoring System Training Module
 - TFAR Modules 1–7

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