From: <u>CAI Texas Testing Communication</u>

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To the Education Service Center and District Staff Members Addressed:

This communication is to inform you of the following upcoming activities for the 2023–2024 Texas Assessment Program.

SPRING 2024 STAAR ADMINISTRATION

• Spring EOC Assessment Registration

To register first-time testers for the spring State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®) end-of-course (EOC) assessments, districts must set their *Spring EOC Eligibility* fields to "Yes" in the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE). For retesters, Cambium Assessment, Inc. (CAI) will set the *Retester* flag and the *Spring EOC Eligibility* fields to "Yes." This information will be updated on **January 24** for students who previously took a STAAR EOC assessment and did not meet the passing standard.

• EOC Previously Passed Field

On **January 24**, CAI will set the *EOC Previously Passed* flags for all students who passed any assessment during the December 2023 STAAR EOC administration. If a student has this field set to "Yes" for a specific STAAR EOC assessment, that assessment will not appear in the list of tests in the Test Delivery System (TDS) that are available for that student to take.

2024 TELPAS ADMINISTRATION

- Test Administrator Manuals
 For the Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS), the initial order of test administrator manuals will be delivered between January 22 and January 26, 2024.
 District personnel may log in to TIDE to see how many copies of the TELPAS Test Administrator Manual they will receive.
- Creating Online Test Sessions
 Beginning January 29, testing personnel may create test sessions for TELPAS in the Test
 Administrator Interface of TDS. For instructions on how to create a test session, refer to the
 <u>TDS User Guide</u> or the <u>How to Create Test Sessions</u> training video in the <u>District and Campus</u>
 Coordinator Resources.

2024 TELPAS ALTERNATE ADMINISTRATION

District testing personnel will receive the initial order of test materials for TELPAS Alternate between **January 22** and **January 26, 2024**.

FEBRUARY 2024 STAND-ALONE FIELD TEST

The testing window for the 2024 Stand-Alone Field Test is **February 5–9, 2024**. Test administration information is available on the <u>2024 Stand-Alone Field Test Information</u> webpage of the Texas Assessment website. Testing personnel in participating districts and campuses may create test sessions in the Test Administrator interface of TDS starting on January 22, 2024. For more information on how to create test sessions, refer to the <u>TDS User Guide</u>.

UPDATES TO THE DISTRICT AND CAMPUS COORDINATOR RESOURCES

The STAAR Interpretive Guide is now available in the Reporting section of the District and Campus

Coordinator Resources.

For questions or assistance regarding the information in this communication, contact Texas Testing Support at 833-601-8821, TexasAssessment.gov via live chat.