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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 2022–2023 Texas Assessment Program.

DECEMBER 2022 STAAR EOC ADMINISTRATION

- **Creating Test Sessions**
Districts may begin creating test sessions for the December State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®) end-of-course (EOC) administration on November 15, 2022.
- **Test Materials**
Districts will receive STAAR test administrator manuals and its initial shipment of secure paper test materials for the December administration the week of November 14–18, 2022. Districts must order any needed additional paper test materials during the window of **November 18–December 9, 2022**, and additional return labels by **December 30, 2022**.

SPRING 2023 ADMINISTRATIONS

As a reminder, districts must have specific flags set in the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE) for students to participate in spring administrations of the Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS), TELPAS Alternate, and STAAR Alternate 2.

- **TELPAS**
Students must have the *Emergent Bilingual Indicator Code* set to “1” for the TELPAS administration. The deadline for districts to indicate a special paper or holistic administration is **November 23, 2022**. For students who meet the eligibility requirements for a special paper or holistic administration, districts must have the *Special Ed Indicator Code* or *Section 504 Indicator Code* set to “Yes”. Districts must also make the appropriate selections in the *Test Mode* and *Paper Test Format* fields.
- **TELPAS Alternate**
To be eligible for the TELPAS Alternate administration, students must have the *Emergent Bilingual Indicator Code* set to “1”, the *Special Ed Indicator Code* set to “Yes”, and the *Alternate Student Flag: TELPAS Alternate* set to “Yes” by **November 23, 2022**.
- **STAAR Alternate 2**
To be eligible for the STAAR Alternate 2 administration, students must have the *Special Ed Indicator Code* set to “Yes” and the *Alternate Student Flag: STAAR Alternate 2* set to “Yes” by **January 6, 2023**. In addition, the *STAAR Alternate 2 EOC Eligibility* field and the *Paper Test Format* field must be adjusted, as applicable.

TEXAS FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT RESOURCE UPDATE

Cambium has identified some reading language arts (RLA) content in the Texas Formative Assessment Resource (TFAR) Authoring System for the STAAR Released Library that does not have the appropriate text-to-speech or content and language supports. The affected RLA passages and items have been removed from the STAAR Released Library. Users who wish to administer tests that were published prior to October 31, 2022, and included these passages or items are encouraged to follow the [directions](#) on how to republish teacher-authored tests to ensure that the content used from the STAAR Released Library provides testers with the appropriate accommodations.

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