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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 Texas Assessment Program.

DISTRICT AND CAMPUS COORDINATOR RESOURCES

The *District and Campus Coordinator Resources* has been updated to include the [Online Administrations](#) section and the [Paper Administrations](#) section.

SECURE BROWSER UPDATES

District personnel must update desktop secure browsers to version 16 and the iPad OS secure browser to version 9 for the new school year no later than **October 1, 2023**. The updated desktop secure browser version 16 for supported versions of macOS, Windows, and Linux and the updated iPad OS secure browser version 9 for the supported version of iPad OS are available on the [Texas Assessment](#) website. Minimum System Requirements for the 2023–2024 school year are available in the [Technology Resources](#) section of the *District and Campus Coordinator Resources*.

TEXAS FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT RESOURCE

- New Test Templates
The Texas Formative Assessment Resource (TFAR) user interface has added new test templates under Test Properties. Assigning a template before publishing aligns the test to the corresponding test attribute column in the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE). This new feature enables the designated accommodations for students. The [TFAR](#) website has also been updated with new user interface resources.
- Assessment Viewing Application
The Open Education Resources—Assessment Viewing Application (AVA) has been added to the page on the Texas Assessment website. This new application provides users with a student view of the Eureka Math Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and K–5 Amplify Texas assessments.

LMS UPDATES

The Data Entry Interface (DEI) Overview and TFAR Overview training modules have been posted to the [Learning Management System \(LMS\)](#). The DEI Overview training module reviews the instructions on how to enter student responses in DEI for all programs. The TFAR Overview training module reviews formative assessments, TFAR functionalities, and TFAR best practices.

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