

[SUBJECT: January 25, 2021, Upcoming Texas Assessment Program Activities]

To the ESC and District Testing Coordinator Addressed:

This communication is to inform you of the following activities for the 2020–2021 State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®) Alternate 2, Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS), and TELPAS Alternate administrations.

2021 STAAR Alternate 2 Late Registration

Districts that did not complete STAAR Alternate 2 student registration during the registration window (November 30, 2020–December 31, 2020) must complete late registration when the Additional Orders Window opens on **March 8, 2021**. Districts must enter student registrations to receive test materials.

Districts must now indicate Large Print in the registration file for any student needing a large-print test booklet. Refer to the Student Registration File Format document under *Resources > Additional Resources* on the [Texas Resource Center](#).

2021 TELPAS Online Basic Training Modules

Online basic training modules for new grades K–1 and 2–12 raters are now available on the [TELPAS Online Training Center](#). New users are required to create a new user profile and must enter the keyword *training2021* to do so. Returning users may log in using the same username and password used in 2020. If a returning user's email address has changed, they must contact the Customer Service Center to update it. Returning users should NOT create a new account.

Monitored calibration sessions must be established for raters to complete individual calibration activities.

- Access to calibration is passcode protected.
- There are separate passcodes for set 1 and set 2.
- Coordinators will provide proctors the daily passcodes for use in monitored calibration sessions.

A document titled "TELPAS Online Training Coordinator Resources Information" can be accessed within the *Published Reports* section of the [STAAR Alternate 2, TELPAS, and TELPAS Alternate Assessment Management System](#). The information contained in this document should only be shared with other designated personnel acting as district testing coordinator assistants.

2021 Webinar Training Opportunities

As a reminder, four webinar training opportunities are available this week. The webinars will provide an overview of the Assessment Management System and will include information about key changes and dates to help districts prepare for the spring 2021 administrations.

Each webinar will be offered at two different times, with the same information covered each time. Each registrant will receive a link for the live presentation. The webinars only support data-based audio (VOIP) and do not support dialing in by phone. It is recommended that the webinar be presented from a conference room where others may view it. In addition, you may download

the presentations before attending the webinar. The presentations can be accessed under *Resources > Training* on the [Texas Resource Center](#).

Select a date below and follow the instructions in the link to register.

STAAR Alternate 2 and TELPAS Alternate	Tuesday, January 26 Wednesday, January 27	10:00–11:30 a.m. (CT) 10:00–11:30 a.m. (CT)
TELPAS and TELPAS Online Training Center	Tuesday, January 26 Wednesday, January 27	2:00–3:30 p.m. (CT) 2:00–3:30 p.m. (CT)

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