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Subject: New Supplemental STAAR Training Modules

To the ESC and District Testing Coordinator Addressed:

The purpose of this communication is to notify you of the availability of two new supplemental training modules for the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®). The modules, as well as brief descriptions of each module, are available in the District Campus Coordinator Resources (DCCR) on the <u>Training</u> page.

As part of the Texas Education Agency's (TEA) ongoing efforts to improve the state's testing program, the Student Assessment Division has developed web-based training modules for STAAR administrations. The modules are designed to supplement, not replace, the mandatory training required of all personnel involved in testing. These modules provide a narrow, focused review of topics representing the top phone queries and reported irregularities that occur during test administrations. The modules are tailored to specific test administration roles.

Completion of these modules is not a requirement. It is, however, recommended that school districts and open-enrollment charter schools use these modules to enhance the mandatory training required of all personnel involved in testing. Each training module consists of two videos and twelve questions about the content covered in the videos. There is no limit to the number of times the videos may be viewed.

After completion of a module, an individual will be able to view his or her overall score and download a certificate of completion. An individual will be prompted to fill in his or her first and last names and date of completion prior to printing or saving a copy of the certificate. Note that any unsaved certificates will not be retrievable at a later time. Certificates are made available for a school district as a convenience and are to be used at the district's discretion.

If you have any questions about the supplemental STAAR training modules, contact TEA using the Student Assessment Help Desk.

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