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TO THE ESC/DISTRICT TESTING COORDINATOR ADDRESSED:

SUBJECT: TAKS and TAKS-Modified (TAKS-M) Released Tests

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide information about the availability of released test materials for the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) and the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR).

### **TAKS and TAKS–Modified (TAKS–M) Released Tests**

Released test materials will no longer be posted online for TAKS and TAKS–M for grades 3–8, as these assessments will be replaced with the new STAAR assessment program in 2012. Printable PDFs of released tests for TAKS and TAKS–M at grades 9, 10, and exit level will remain available on TEA’s Student Assessment Division website at [http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index3.aspx?id=44&menu\\_id=793](http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index3.aspx?id=44&menu_id=793). Printed released tests for TAKS and TAKS–M at grade 9–exit level will also be available for a fee at <http://www.TexasAssessment.com/publications>.

### **STAAR Released Test Materials**

Selected STAAR items for each grade/subject or course assessed will be released in September 2011 and will be available on the Student Assessment website. One STAAR test form for each grade/subject or course assessed is scheduled to be released in 2014.

If you have any questions about the information in this e-mail, please contact the Student Assessment Division at 512-463-9536.