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Subject: Updates to the 2015–2016 Testing Calendar

TO THE ESC AND DISTRICT TESTING COORDINATOR ADDRESSED:

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The purpose of this email is to notify you of updates to the 2015–2016 Student Assessment testing calendar. The revised calendar will be posted to the Texas Education Agency’s (TEA) website at http://www.tea.texas.gov/student.assessment/calendars/. This calendar reflects changes to testing dates previously communicated to school districts.

Updates to the 2015–2016 testing calendar include the following:

- The report date for the 2016 Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS) grades K–12 assessments has changed. Districts will receive standard and optional reports for TELPAS grades K–12 by May 6, 2016.

- The report date for the 2016 State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®) grades 4 and 7 writing assessments has changed. Districts will receive standard and optional reports for STAAR grades 4 and 7 writing by June 15, 2016.

- The 2016 STAAR Alternate 2 testing window has been extended. The STAAR Alternate 2 grades 3–8 and end-of-course (EOC) testing window is scheduled for April 4–22, 2016. Districts will receive standard and optional reports for STAAR Alternate 2 grades 3–8 and EOC by May 18, 2016.

- Report dates have been set for the STAAR English III and Algebra II assessments, scheduled to be administered on a voluntary basis on May 10 and May 11, 2016. Districts will receive standard and optional reports for STAAR Algebra II by June 30, 2016, and English III by August 19, 2016. These reports will be available online only.

Please call the Student Assessment Division at (512) 463-9536 if you have any questions about this information.

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