

## Educator Testing Transition

Beginning September 1, 2018, Pearson is the testing vendor for the Texas Educator Certification Examination Program, which includes administration of the following tests: TExES, TExMaT, TASC, and TASC-ASL. ETS will administer the new Performance Assessment for School Leaders (PASL) when it becomes effective in fall 2019.

- TEA owns all TExES, TExMaT, TASC, and TASC-ASL testing materials; therefore, the entire test inventory, including test forms, item banks, representative tests, preparation manuals, and other resources, will transfer from ETS to Pearson. Pearson will administer these tests and make materials available on their website at [www.tx.nesinc.com](http://www.tx.nesinc.com), which is available now and will be updated September 1st with additional resources.
- Account set up, registration, and appointment scheduling with Pearson will open on September 1st for test dates beginning September 4th. Educators and candidates who wish to take a test or view their previous score reports must first create an account with Pearson at [www.tx.nesinc.com](http://www.tx.nesinc.com). A [Getting Started on September 1, 2018](#) guide has been created for educators to learn more about account creation, registration, and scheduling in the new Pearson system.
- Pearson Customer Service will be available beginning at 8:00 AM on Saturday, September 1, 2018, for all test-related inquiries at (800) 877-4599 or (413) 256-2898 and via Live Chat/email at [www.tx.nesinc.com](http://www.tx.nesinc.com) through the “Contact Us” link at the top of the page. Pearson Customer Service will be available Monday through Friday 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM and Saturday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Central Standard Time, excluding holidays. An automated information system is available 24 hours daily.
- Pearson testing sites may be previewed at [http://www.tx.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN\\_Tests.html](http://www.tx.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_Tests.html). More testing sites will likely be added in the coming weeks and months.
- Historical score reports will transfer to Pearson but will continue to be available on the ETS website through September 28, 2018 at [https://www.texas-ets.org/custom/public/pp\\_log.php](https://www.texas-ets.org/custom/public/pp_log.php).
- EPPs will have access to ETS Data Manager through September 28, 2018.
- Beginning September 2018, all TExES and TExMaT exams will be administered as computer-administered tests (CAT). TASC and TASC–ASL will continue to be administered in an interview format.
- Test fees effective September 1st will be \$116 for most TExES exams, and \$58 for individual Core Subjects exams (#801-809). The Texas.gov fee will continue to be assessed.

Testing Vendors as of September 1, 2018:

| Tests  | Vendor      | Phone                                       | Website   |
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| TExES, TExMaT, TASC, and TASC-ASL  | Pearson     | (800) 877-4599<br><i>(effective 9/1/18)</i> | <a href="http://www.tx.nesinc.com">www.tx.nesinc.com</a>  |
| Foreign Language & Bilingual Exams: Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Turkish, & Vietnamese | ACTFL / LTI | (800) 486-8444                              | <a href="https://www.languagetesting.com/">https://www.languagetesting.com/</a>   |
| Family & Consumer Sciences #200, #201, #202  | AAFCS       | (800) 424-8080                              | <a href="http://www.aafcs.org/credentialing-center/professional-testing/texas">http://www.aafcs.org/credentialing-center/professional-testing/texas</a> |
| Performance Assessment for School Leaders (PASL) (effective fall 2019)   | ETS         | TBD   | <a href="https://www.ets.org/ppa/test-takers/school-leaders/about">https://www.ets.org/ppa/test-takers/school-leaders/about</a>                         |