

September 21, 2015

Subject: Update 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 an update 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.

To meet legislative requirements, the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR<sup>®</sup>) grades 4 and 7 writing assessments will be redesigned so they can be completed in one four-hour administration. In the current school year, the STAAR grades 4 and 7 writing assessments will be administered on Tuesday, March 29, 2016.

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

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