The T-TRADE Assessment Development Pilot Invites Teacher Participation
The Texas Teachers Review, Assess, Develop, and Exchange (T-TRADE) pilot is an innovative, collaborative system for teachers to develop and share high-quality assessment items. In the 2020–2021 school year, the system is being piloted with teachers of two courses: grade 5 mathematics and high school United States History Studies Since 1877.

Benefits of the T-TRADE System

- **Professional Development**: Teachers are provided professional development training that will increase their understanding, proficiency, and confidence in developing high-quality, fair, and rigorous assessment items that inform and improve instruction.
- **Collaboration**: Teachers collaborate to write, review, assess, and exchange high-quality assessment items aligned to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).
- **CPE Credit and Stipends**: Teachers who participate in the T-TRADE pilot will earn continuing professional education (CPE) credit and may qualify to receive a stipend.
- **Practical Use**: T-TRADE assessment items will be made available for teachers to download and use in their local classroom assessments.
- **Expanded Use**: T-TRADE assessment items that are of the highest quality will be field tested for possible use on state assessments.

How to Apply to Participate in T-TRADE

TEA is now accepting applications from Texas teachers of grade 5 mathematics and high school United States history who wish to participate in the T-TRADE pilot in fall 2020. Applicants may be certified educators who currently teach these courses or have taught these courses in the past. Applicants are encouraged to apply by Friday, September 18, 2020.

To apply, please submit a TEA Committee Educator Application. A "Committee Preferences" section is at the end of the application; select "T-TRADE Assessment Items Development." To learn more, please visit the T-TRADE webpage.

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