[SUBJECT: March 18, 2020, Upcoming STAAR Alternate 2 and TELPAS Activities]

To the ESC and District Testing Coordinator Addressed:

This communication is to inform you of the following upcoming activities for the 2020 State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR[®]) Alternate 2 and Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS) administrations.

2020 STAAR Alternate 2 Material Returns

Due to the cancellation of 2020 STAAR Alternate 2 administration based on COVID-19, all additional orders that have not already been processed have been cancelled. Districts should return all test materials as soon as practicable. A district testing coordinator packet, which includes return labels and a return carrier memo, is in the first box of your materials shipment. If you have opened boxes to verify shipment quantities, repack the materials into the boxes, seal them, and apply a Pearson return label and a shipping label to each box. If you have not opened any boxes, you may open the first box to retrieve the district testing coordinator packet and apply the labels to all the boxes. Complete the district portion of the Pearson return labels. Then schedule a shipment pickup to return test materials as soon as possible based on the district's ability to have staff on-site for the return.

2020 TELPAS Paper Administration Materials

Due to the school closings related to COVID-19, the TELPAS administration window is extended to **May 29, 2020**. If you were approved to administer a TELPAS reading paper test, the new deadline to return nonscorable materials is **June 5, 2020**. The process for returning nonscorable materials for TELPAS paper administrations will not change. Districts should follow the return instructions in the *2020 TELPAS Supplement for Paper*.

For questions and assistance regarding the information in this communication, as well as requests for additional return labels for STAAR Alternate 2, contact the Customer Service Center using the <u>live chat feature</u>, the <u>Pearson Customer Support Form</u>, or by calling 800-627-0225.