

Hybrid Instruction During District-Scheduled Testing Days for K – 8th Grade Students Waiver

SECTION I: Requirements

For students in Kindergarten through grade 8, districts may require students who are not scheduled to take an assessment to learn remotely on district-scheduled testing days in order to reduce the number of individuals on a campus at any one time and increase the number of remote students that come on campus to take the assessment.

This waiver applies for district-scheduled testing days of STAAR, TELPAS online assessments, PSAT-8, and ACT Aspire. For STAAR, this waiver should be limited to 10 days across the April and May STAAR administrations. For all other assessments, this should be limited to a maximum of five days per administration. Districts should use other flexibility (e.g., extended windows) to ensure that this impacts the minimum number of students possible. Districts should have a communication plan in place to encourage as many remote students as possible to participate in the assessment.

All waivers will be conditionally approved upon receipt but may be subject to further review by TEA. In the event one of these testing days has already occurred, waivers can be submitted now and approvals can be granted retroactively.

SECTION II: Request

LEA Name & CDN:

How many students are learning on campus (by campus name and CDCN)?

STAAR		
I certify that one or more campuses cannot assess all students during the district-scheduled assessment days and comply with local health protocols.		
List the campus(es) (with CDCN) that this applies to and how many students will be testing at each campus.		
List the specific dates that this will apply.		
Please explain why you cannot assess all students during the district-scheduled assessment days and comply with local		
health protocols. Include relevant details such as number of staff available.		
Please describe the district's communications plan to encourage as many students who are remote as possible to		
participate in the assessment.		

TELPAS Online Assessments		
I certify that one or more campuses cannot assess all students during the district-scheduled assessment days and comply with local health protocols.		
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PSAT-8
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ACT Aspire		
I certify that one or more campuses cannot assess all students during the district-scheduled assessment days and comply with local health protocols.		
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Please describe the district's communications plan to encourage as many students who are remote as possible to		
participate in the assessment.		

SECTION III: Signature	
LEA Name	Board Approval Date
Board President Name	Superintendent Signature

Submit completed request forms to: waivers@tea.texas.gov

DUE NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2021