To the Education Service Center and District Staff Members Addressed:

This communication is to inform you of the following upcoming activities for the Texas Assessment Program.

DECEMBER 2023 STAAR ADMINISTRATION

District testing personnel must ensure all student information, student responses, and score codes are complete for the December STAAR administration by **11:59 p.m. (CT) on December 15, 2023**. This includes:

- updating score codes in the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE),
- submitting student responses for paper administrations in the Data Entry Interface (DEI), and
- verifying student information in TIDE.

Refer to the Complete Administrations section in the *District and Campus Coordinator Resources* for more detailed information. District testing personnel should return State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®) secure paper test materials as soon as paper testing is complete and all information is entered in DEI. All secure paper test materials must be shipped back to Pearson for reconciliation by **December 22, 2023**.

2024 STAAR ALTERNATE 2 REGISTRATION

As a reminder, district testing personnel must submit student registrations for the 2024 STAAR Alternate 2 administration in TIDE by **11:59 p.m. (CT) Thursday, December 14, 2023.** In May, the Texas Education Agency (TEA) updated the STAAR Alternate 2 participation requirements beginning with the 2023–2024 school year. Numerous resources are available on the STAAR Alternate 2 Resources webpage to assist district personnel with the updated participation requirements.

FEBRUARY 2024 STAND-ALONE FIELD TEST

Final lists of campus assignments for each local educational agency (LEA) selected to participate in the Stand-Alone Field Test will be posted in the TIDE Secure File Center on **December 13, 2023**.

For questions or assistance regarding the information in this communication, contact Texas Testing Support at 833-601-8821, TexasTestingSupport@cambiumassessment.com, or TexasAssessment.gov via live chat.