## TEA STAAR MATHEMATICS UPDATE

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- Implementation of New Mathematic TEKS
- New Method to Report Process Skills
- Release Test Questions
- General STAAR Update


## IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW MATHEMATICS TEKS

## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR GRADES 3-8

- The new TEKS for K-8 mathematics were implemented this past year, the 2014-2015 school year.
- In April, the new STAAR 3-8 mathematics assessments were administered. These tests
- Assessed the new TEKS as indicated in the new assessed curriculum documents.
- Were based on the new test blueprints.
- Used the new reference materials.
- Do not have performance standards yet.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR GRADES 3-8

- In May, raw score information (e.g., 40 out of 50 questions correct) was reported on Confidential Student Reports, rosters, summary reports, and data files.
- In July, educators committees are convening to recommend new performance standards for STAAR grades 3-8 mathematics assessments.
- Meet July 14-16 for grades 6-8 and July 2I-23 for grades 3-5.
- Will review specific performance level descriptors.
- Will experience an actual test and discuss difficulty level of test questions.
- Will recommend cuts for Level II and Level III.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR GRADES 3-8

- In August, the commissioner is scheduled to approve the new performance standards and a phase-in plan for the performance standards.
- New performance standards will be on a vertical scale as required by law.
- New performance standards will establish Level II and Level III scale score cuts for each assessment.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR GRADES 3-8

- In September, new reports and data files will be sent to school districts with the performance standards and phase-in applied. This will include
- Scale score information
- Pass/fail status based on phase-in
- After fall reporting is complete,TEA will post
- New performance standards
- New phase-in plan
- New specific performance level descriptors


## IMPLEMENTATIONTIMELINE FOR ALGEBRA I

- The revised TEKS for Algebra I will be implemented next year, the 2015-2016 school year.
- The revised STAAR Algebra I assessment will be implemented next year, the 20I52016 school year.
- There are minimal changes to the STAAR Algebra I assessment based on the revised TEKS.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR ALGEBRA |

- There are no changes to the July 2015 STAAR Algebra I test.
- The December 2015 STAAR Algebra I test will
- Assess the TEKS as indicated in the original assessed curriculum documents; however only the "overlap" curriculum will be used.
- Be based on the original test blueprint.
- Use the original reference materials.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR ALGEBRA |

- The May 2016 STAAR Algebra I test will
- Assess the revised TEKS as indicated in the revised assessed curriculum document.
- Only the "overlap" curriculum will be used for scoring purposes.
- New skills will be addressed in field test questions (not used for scoring purposes).
- Be based on the revised test blueprint.
- Use the revised reference materials.
- Have the same performance standards.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR ALGEBRA II

- The revised TEKS for Algebra II will be implemented next year, the 2015-2016 school year.
- The revised STAAR Algebra II assessment will be implemented next year, the 20152016 school year.
- There are minimal changes to the STAAR Algebra II assessment based on the revised TEKS.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR ALGEBRA II

- The May 2016 STAAR Algebra II test will
- Assess the revised TEKS as indicated in the revised assessed curriculum document.
- Only the "overlap" curriculum will be used for scoring purposes.
- New skills will be addressed in field test questions (not used for scoring purposes).
- Be based on the revised test blueprint.
- Use the revised reference materials.
- Have the same performance standards.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR ALGEBRA II

- Based on TEC 39.0238, the STAAR Algebra II test
- Will be administered on a voluntary basis at the district's option.
- Will measure postsecondary readiness.
- Is not required for high school graduation.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR ALGEBRA II

- Based on TEC 39.0238, the STAAR Algebra II test
- Cannot be used for accountability.
- Cannot be used for the purpose of teacher evaluations.
- Cannot be used in determining a student's final course grade or class rank.
- Cannot be used for college admission purposes.


## IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR ALGEBRA I AND II

- Because the changes to the STAAR Algebra I and II assessments are relatively minimal, the performance standards will not change.
- Students who have already taken a STAAR EOC assessment are at the phase-in 1 performance standard.
- The standard in place when a student first takes a STAAR EOC assessment is the standard that will be maintained on all five STAAR EOC assessments throughout the student's high school career.

NEW METHOD TO REPORT PROCESS SKILLS

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- The application of mathematical process standards is part of each knowledge statement in the mathematics TEKS.
- The mathematical process standards have been added to the TEKS for Algebra I and Algebra II and will be added to the STAAR Algebra I and Algebra II assessments.
- The seven process standards are identical across grades and courses within the mathematics TEKS and are listed as the first knowledge statement.


## NEW METHOD TO REPORT PROCESS SKILLS

- The student uses mathematical processes to acquire and demonstrate mathematical understanding.
A. Apply mathematics to everyday
B. Use a problem-solving model
C. Select tools to solve problems
D. Communicate using multiple representations
E. Use representations of mathematical ideas
F. Analyze mathematical relationships
G. Display, explain, and justify mathematical ideas


## NEW METHOD TO REPORT PROCESS SKILLS

- General information, including examples, on how process standards are included in the STAAR mathematics, science, and social studies assessments is available at: Assessing Process Skills.
- For STAAR mathematics, multiple process skills with be incorporated into test questions.


## NEW METHOD TO REPORT PROCESS SKILLS

- Process skills will be reported for informational purposes only. They do not contribute to a student's score. Student's are scored on the content standard being assessed.
- Reports that show the content standard being assessed and the process skills associated with each test question are available at http://tea.texas.gov/student.assessment/staar/exptested/.


## NEW METHOD TO REPORT PROCESS SKILLS

- For example, here is part of the spring 2015 STAAR grade 7 math report.

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| GRADE | LANGUAGE | SUBJECT | ITEM | RC* | CONTENT STUDENT EXPECTATION | 7.1(A) | 7.1(B) | 7.1(C) | 7.1(D) | 7.1(E) | 7.1(F) | 7.1(G) | TEST DATE |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 1 | 2 | 7.4(B) | X | X |  |  |  | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 2 | 3 | 7.5(A) |  | X |  |  | X | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 3 | 1 | 7.6(A) | X | X |  |  |  | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 4 | 2 | 7.11(A) |  | X |  |  | X | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 5 | 4 | 7.6(G) | X | X |  |  | X | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 6 | 3 | 7.9(D) |  | X | X |  | X | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 7 | 4 | 7.13(E) | X | X | X |  |  | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 8 | 2 | 7.3(B) | X | X |  |  |  | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 9 | 3 | 7.9(B) | X | X | X |  | X | X |  | Spring 2015 |
| 7 | English | Mathematics | 10 | 2 | 7.4(A) | X | X | X | X |  |  | X | Spring 2015 |
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## NEW METHOD TO REPORT PROCESS SKILLS

- Here is an example of a STAAR question for grade 4 mathematics.

The model shows a rectangular field with a length of 150 m . The perimeter of the field is 400 m .


What is the width of the field in meters?
A 250 m
B 100 m
C 125 m
D 50 m

- This question assesses $4.5(\mathrm{D})$ and incorporates $4.1(A), 4 . I(B), 4.1(C), 4.1(E)$ and $4 . I(F)$.


## NEW METHOD TO REPORT PROCESS SKILLS

- Here is an example of a STAAR question for grade 6 mathematics.

Ella played a math game and had the five cards shown.


Her score was the sum of the numbers on these five cards. What was Ella's score?
A 3
B 23
C -5
D Not here

- This question assesses 6.3(D) and incorporates 6.I(A), 6.I (B) and 6.1(F).


## NEW METHOD TO REPORT PROCESS SKILLS

- Here is an example of a STAAR Algebra I question.

What is the solution to the system of equations below?

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\begin{aligned}
4 x-7 y & =-2 \\
12 x-21 y & =-42
\end{aligned}
$$

A The ordered pair $(-1 / 2,0)$ is the solution.
B The ordered pair $(0,2 / 7)$ is the solution.
C There are an infinite number of solutions.
D There is no solution.

- This question assesses A.5(C) and incorporates A.I (B) and A.I (G).


## RELEASE TEST QUESTIONS

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- In July 2015, there will be a partial release of test questions for STAAR grades 3-8 mathematics.
- The partial release will include 20-30 test questions per grade.
- It will focus on new student expectations and readiness standards.
- The questions will be available in the chart under "SAMPLE QUESTIONS" posted at: http://tea.texas.gov/Student_Testing_and_Accountability/Testing/State_of_Texas_Ass essments of Academic Readiness (STAAR)/STAAR Released Test Questions/.


## RELEASETEST QUESTIONS

- The May 2015 STAAR Algebra I assessment will be released in its entirety in August with other spring tests (reading, writing, science, and social studies) being released.
- The 2016 STAAR grades 3-8 mathematics assessments, as well as the Algebra I assessment, will be released in their entirety in August 2016.
- The questions will be available in the charts under "TEST FORMS" posted at: http://tea.texas.gov/Student_Testing_and_Accountability/Testing/State_of_Texas_Ass essments of_Academic_Readiness_(STAAR)/STAAR_Released_Test_Questions/.


## GENERAL STAAR UPDATE

## TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS RECEIVING ACCELERATED MATH INSTRUCTION

- Based on federal requirements, students are to be tested annually in mathematics in grades 3-8 and once in high school.
- This means that each student enrolled in grades 3-8 should have a math score for federal accountability purposes.
- If a student is receiving accelerated instruction in mathematics, the student should take the assessment that best matches his/her instruction, if one exists.


## TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS RECEIVING ACCELERATED MATH INSTRUCTION

- Middle school students who are receiving instruction in Algebra I should take the STAAR Algebra I assessment.
- The results of the STAAR Algebra I assessment can be used to fulfill high school graduation requirements.
- The commissioner discourages double testing these students (i.e., giving the student the Algebra I assessment and the grade-level assessment).


## TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS RECEIVING ACCELERATED MATH INSTRUCTION

- Middle school students who are receiving instruction in a course above Algebra I, for example geometry, do not have an assessment option that matches their instruction.
- Because these students are required to have a math score for federal accountability purposes and an assessment that matches their instruction does not exist, they take their grade-level assessment.


## 2015-2016 STUDENT ASSESSMENT TESTING CALENDAR

Some testing dates were moved for spring 2016 and have later reporting dates. For more information see the testing calendar posted at 2015-2016 School Year.

- Late March/early April
- Grades 4 and 7 writing
- Grades 5 and 8 reading and mathematics
- English I and II
- First week in May: Algebra I, biology, and U.S. history


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- Second week in May
- Grades 3-8 reading and mathematics, including grades 5 and 8 retests
- Grades 5 and 8 science
- Grade 8 social studies
- English III
- Algebra II


## SENATE BILL 149

- SB 149 changed assessment graduation requirements.
- Applies to students who have STAAR EOC assessment requirements, not TAKS.
- Can be used if a student does not pass up to two of the assessments he/she is required to take.
- Can still use substitute assessments in place of STAAR EOC assessments, now including TSI.
- For more information, go to: Individual Graduation Committee Frequently Asked Questions.


## ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION

- TEA is in the process of analyzing legislation that was recently signed by the governor. Information will be sent to districts as soon as it is available.
- House Bill 743
- House Bill II64
- House Bill 1613
- House Bill 2349
- House Bill 2804


## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The Student Success Initiative (SSI) grade advancement requirements for mathematics will be reinstated for the 2015-2016 school year. Therefore, there will be three testing opportunities in 2016.
- The STAAR Frequently Asked Questions document was posted in February: STAAR Frequently Asked Questions.


## QUESTIONS???

- If you have questions,
- Look on the Student Assessment website: http://tea.texas.gov/student.assessment/
- Call the Student Assessment Division: 5I2-463-9536
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