

**Cedar Hill Independent School District**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Meeting Date: January 10, 2011

Presented by: Mr. Horace Williams, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: House Bill 3 Transition from TAKS to STAAR

**Information Item**

**BOARD GOAL:**

Achieve TEA Recognized rating on our journey to becoming world-class by 2012.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Starting with operational testing in the 2011–2012 school year, the state's newest assessment program, STAAR, will again raise the bar for Texas education. STAAR will represent a more unified, comprehensive assessment program that will incorporate more rigorous college and career readiness standards.

The attached report provides details on the implementation plans and progress made to date, including sections covering the development of the new STAAR assessment program; the development of new performance ratings for Texas public schools; federal requirements for assessment and accountability; accreditation, sanctions and interventions; and financial accountability.

**CONTACT PERSON(S):**

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**FUNDING SOURCE:**

State

**ENCLOSURE:**

See attachment.