# Curriculum & Instruction Board Report March 2019

#### **E3**

The 2019 iteration of the Eagle Expo of Excellence is set for Monday evening, March 25 from 4:30-7:00. Over 80 booths and 15 fine arts performances will take place that evening. STEM exhibits are prevalent this year with over 18 booths dedicated to STEM learning. This will be the sixth expo that has been held to highlight student learning from Pre-K-12.

## **State Testing**

Testing season is here! Campuses have been testing TELPAS the past couple of weeks and finished up on March 8th. TELPAS is the Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System used to assess the progress that limited English proficient (LEP) students make in learning the English language.

The STAAR ALT 2 preview window for testing for our life skills students will open on March 18 and the window for testing will open on April 1 and close on April 23.

The first round of STAAR testing with 4th & 7th writing, 5th & 8th reading, and Eng 1 & Eng 2 will take place on April 19, 10, and 11. The second round is set the week of May 6-10 for high school and May 14- 17 for grades 3-8. June retesting is the week of the 24-28.

## **ELAR Adoption**

The ELAR curriculum adoption committee has attended presentations from both Pearson and Houghton Mifflin and reviewed, in depth, the materials these companies have up for adoption. After spring break the committee will meet to finalize a decision on which curriculum resources best meet our needs. This decision will be brought to the board in April for adoption approval.

#### **Grants**

The C & I dept has been working on applying for the America's Farmers Grow Rural Education by the Monsanto Fund grant. Campuses presented information on their science and math needs and the grant will address a campus need. That grant award announcement will be in August.

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