

**Subject:** Re: State Testing Test Approval Request  
**Date:** Monday, October 19, 2020 at 2:01:19 PM Central Daylight Time  
**From:** Gina Windle (ADE)  
**To:** melissa hannah  
**CC:** Courtney Salas-Ford (ADE), Rhonda Saunders (ADE)

Good afternoon,

We will be working internally to get this placed on the November agenda. Courtney Salas-Ford, our chief legal counsel, will be in touch with any questions.

Sincerely,

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**From:** melissa hannah <melissa@hannahschool.org>  
**Date:** Monday, October 19, 2020 at 10:09 AM  
**To:** "Gina Windle (ADE)" <Gina.Windle@arkansas.gov>  
**Subject:** State Testing Test Approval Request

Good Morning!

Rhonda Saunders gave me your email in order to request for a test to be submitted for approval on the State Board Testing. Could you please let me know what I need to do in order to get KTEA-3 on the approved testing list? At the Hannah School we had been using the Brigance but felt it was not giving the appropriate picture to our families about their children's skills since it is normed on a special education populations. We also use a variety of other assessments both norm referenced and criterion referenced. One of those assessments is the KTEA-3. We have looked at other assessments on the approved list but those are all mostly administered in a group setting. Due to the unique profile of our students we feel the most accurate measure of their performance is on the KTES-3 or similar assessments. This is also an assessment that is used frequently in special education so it is a useful tool when children transfer to other schools.

Thank you for your assistance!  
Melissa Hannah

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