



SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: February 4, 2021

Purpose: Presentation/Report Recognition Discussion/ Possible Action

Closed/Executive Session Work Session Discussion Only Consent

From: Theresa Servellon, Chief Academic Officer

Item Title: 2021 State Assessment Update

Description: On December 10 the Texas Education Agency (TEA) sent out correspondence stating TEA will not issue A-F accountability ratings for the 2020-2021 school year; however, in order to gather student data for the schools & districts to use state assessments will continue this school year with the administrations of the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®), STAAR Alternate 2, the Texas English Language Assessment System (TELPAS), and TELPAS Alternate.

Historical Data: There is no historical data for this presentation because the update is in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Recommendation: N/A

Funding Budget Code and Amount: N/A



South San Antonio ISD

Spring State Assessment Update

Feb. 12, 2021

- The Texas Education Agency (TEA) will not issue A–F accountability ratings for the 2020–2021 school year.
- Student Success Initiative (SSI) Requirements Waived- There will be only ONE administration of STAAR grades 5 and 8 mathematics and reading.
- All students in grades 3–8 will take the STAAR. Student must be present at a monitored testing session and must be supervised by a trained test administrator. *Students in grades 3-8 who are remote learners may opt for remote learning instruction if they will not be choosing to attend in-person for their respective STAAR administration.*
- Students enrolled in specific high school courses are required by federal and state law to take corresponding STAAR end-of-course (EOC) assessments. Students who miss the opportunity to take EOC assessments for STAAR or STAAR Alternate 2 will be missing an opportunity to meet assessment graduation requirements.
- Districts can submit a waiver to require students who are not scheduled to take that assessment to learn remotely on a scheduled testing day. This allows campuses to prioritize in-building attendance for students who are scheduled to test.
- STAAR assessments can be taken in both a paper-based or an online platform (students testing on a device while in-building). This year the online testing window is extended for both STAAR 3–8 assessments and STAAR end-of-course (EOC) assessments:
 - **five** weeks for the April 2021 STAAR grades 3–8 and EOC assessments (**April 6–May 7**)
 - **five** weeks for the May 2021 STAAR EOC assessments (**May 4–June 4**)
 - **five** weeks for the May 2021 STAAR grades 3–8 assessments (**May 11–June 11**)
 - **two** weeks for the June 2021 STAAR EOC assessments (**June 22–July 2**)
- TEA is not able to extend STAAR paper testing windows because of the time required to ship, process, and score paper testing materials and maintain reporting dates.