

RED Alert: Week of October 5, 2009

NEW/UPDATED ITEMS

*Elimination of the STAR Writing Test for Grade 4

*Upcoming/Continuing Testing Windows

Elimination of the STAR Writing Test for Grade 4 NEW

The California Department of Education (CDE) just announced that the STAR Writing test for Grade 4 has been eliminated. Therefore, Grade 4 students will no longer take a CST/CMA writing test in early March. By eliminating the STAR Writing test for Grade 4, the state will save over 2 million dollars. Grade 7 students will continue to take the STAR Writing test on March 2 and 3, 2010. Please contact Erin Gordon at 619-725-5687 if you have any questions.

Upcoming/Continuing Test Windows UPDATED

CELDT Annual Assessment: September 8, 2009 - October 21, 2009 for Grades K-12. Test materials must be returned to Annex 10, at the Eugene Brucker Education Center between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on the dates indicated below. For questions regarding the CELDT, please call 619-725-7059.

- October 21 – Elementary Schools, Traditional Calendar
- October 22 – Secondary Schools, Traditional Calendar
- October 23 – Elementary & Secondary Schools, Single Track Year-Round

The Degrees of Reading Power (DRP): October 12–16, 2009 for Grades 7-10 at schools participating in the Striving Readers grant. Materials were delivered via truck delivery during the week of September 28, 2009. Instructions for test site coordinators were included with the materials delivered to sites. All DRP testing materials are due back to Assessment Services, Annex 10, Eugene Brucker Education Center on October 19, 2009. For more information on DRP testing, please call 619-725-7165.

Schools participating in the DRP include the following:

Grades 7 & 8

Bell
Challenger
CPMA
Farb
Marston
Montgomery
Roosevelt
Taft

Grades 9 & 10

Clairemont
Crawford CHAMPS
Kearny- DMD
Kearny- SIB
Madison
Mira Mesa
Morse
San Diego High- Sci. & Tech

Literacy & Mathematics Benchmarks for Elementary Schools: October 19 - November 6, 2009 for Grades 1-6. Materials were delivered via truck delivery during the week of October 5, 2009. Instructions for test site coordinators were included with the materials delivered to sites. For more information, please call 619-725-7148.

Literacy & Mathematics Benchmarks for Middle Schools: October 26 - November 6, 2009 for Grades 6-8. Materials will be delivered via truck delivery during the week of October 12, 2009. Instructions for test site coordinators will be included with the materials delivered to sites. For more information, please call 619-725-7148.

Mathematics Benchmarks for Senior High Schools: October 26 - November 6, 2009 for students enrolled in Algebra or Geometry. Materials will be delivered via truck delivery during the week of October 12, 2009. Instructions for test site coordinators will be included with the materials delivered to sites. For more information, please call 619-725-7148.

Practice California High School Exit Examination (PCAHSEE): Testing window will be determined by sites. The PCAHSEE will be administered to all students in Grade 9 (Class of 2013) during the 2009-10 school year. Materials will be delivered via truck delivery during the week of October 19, 2009. Instructions for test site coordinators will be included with the materials delivered to sites. Sites will print their own answer sheets from DataDirector after determining their school's testing window. For more information, please call 619-725-7165.

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