

## When are the STAAR tests?

Students are scheduled to take the STAAR test in May.

DATE	6TH GRADE
<b>Paper</b> May 10, 2022 <b>Online</b> May 10-20, 2022	Math
<b>Paper</b> May 11, 2022 <b>Online</b> May 11-20, 2022	Reading

DATE	7TH GRADE
<b>Paper</b> May 10, 2022 <b>Online</b> May 10-20, 2022	Math
<b>Paper</b> May 11, 2022 <b>Online</b> May 11-20, 2022	Reading

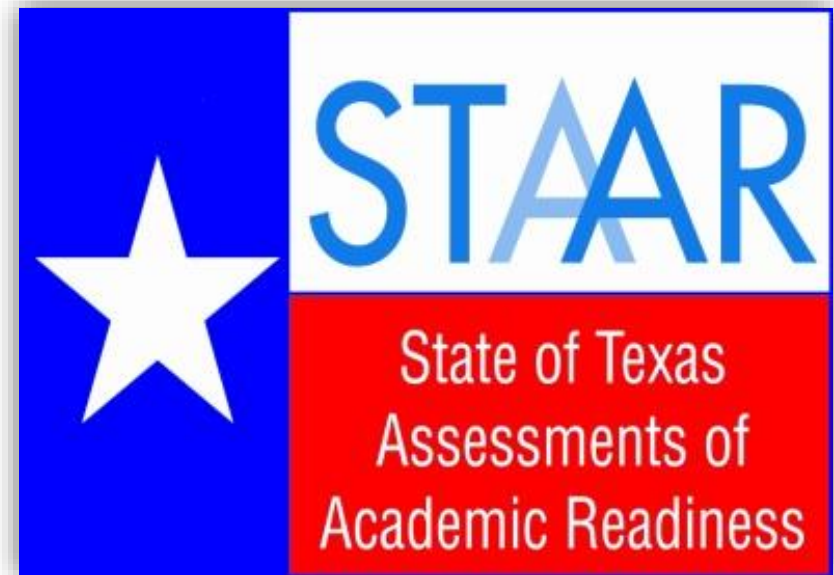
DATE	8TH GRADE
<b>Paper</b> - May 10, 2022 <b>Online</b> - May 10-20, 2022	Math
<b>Paper</b> - May 11, 2022 <b>Online</b> - May 11-20, 2022	Reading
<b>Paper</b> May 5-13, 2022 <b>Online</b> May 5-20, 2022	Science
<b>Paper</b> May 6, 2021 <b>Online</b> May 6-20, 2022	Social Studies

### For additional information about STAAR

- Visit the Texas Education Agency, Student Assessment webpage at: <http://tea.texas.gov/student.assessment/>
- Call the Assessment Department at: (956)554-2806
- Contact your child's school at: \_\_\_\_\_

# Understanding the STAAR test

6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade



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## Who takes the STAAR test?

Beginning with the 2011-2012 school year, students in grades 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades have been taking the new state exam titled State of Texas assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR). This evaluation includes assessments in the following subjects:

6<sup>th</sup> – Math & Reading

7<sup>th</sup> – Math & Reading

8<sup>th</sup> – Math, Reading, Science, and Social Studies

## How is this test different?

The STAAR assessments are more rigorous than previous state tests. In addition, the STAAR test has four-hour time limit, and it has more open-ended questions in math and science.

## Will students who receive special education services take the STAAR?

The admission, review & dismissal (ARD) committee will determine the appropriate test for a student who receives special education services. Some students will take the general STAAR. Others will take the STAAR Alternate 2. The STAAR Alternate 2, however, is only available for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities.

## How do I know if my child passed the test?

Student performance on the STAAR test is described by one of these four proficiency levels:

 <b>Did not meet grade level</b>	 <b>Approaches grade level</b>	 <b>Meets grade level</b>	 <b>Masters grade level</b>
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- **Did not meet grade level** - shows lack of basic understanding of course content. Student needs significant support.
- **Approaches grade level** - shows some knowledge of course content but may be missing critical elements. Student needs additional support
- **Meets grade level**- shows strong knowledge of course content. Student is prepared to progress to the next grade.
- **Masters grade level** - shows mastery of the course content. Student is on track for college and career readiness.

