

CAASPP Update #2

Principals,

This is the next in a series of brief CAASPP Updates that will be sent out periodically. These Updates will be posted for future reference on our district's Assessment page located at <http://vusd.org/Departments.cfm?subpage=22150>.

Late yesterday afternoon, around 4 PM, the state department did release the interim assessments. The portal to access these is the CAASPP site (<http://caaspp.org/>), and this is linked to our website at <http://vusd.org/Departments.cfm?subpage=22150> (see attached PDF). Visalia Unified users (those who will be responsible for administering the summative SBAC test toward the end of the year) had received an e-mail in early December for the purpose of setting up their log-in account. This is the same log-in to be used for the Interim Assessments. Site Testing Coordinators can reset teacher passwords in case they have been forgotten. As a reminder, this is done at the User's link through the TOMS interface.

There are two levels of Interim Assessments:

1. A comprehensive assessment that is intended to mirror the summative SBAC test (however, the Interim Assessment is fixed-form, and not adaptive), and
2. The Interim Assessment Blocks which are focused on topics.

The reporting function is not yet in place, is expected to take place through the Digital Library. This password will be sent out in approximately two weeks (following the Testing Coordinator's training on the 11th) to try and minimize confusion in password e-mails, and to allow for discussion.