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STAAR Testing for Parents

STAAR 2025 is right around the corner!
The State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) can be a little nerve-wracking for you and your student. Here is a list of some things to know about the test, and some tips for helping your student prepare to succeed.

What to know:
STAAR is not a high-stakes test for students meaning that grade-level promotion consequences have been eliminated by Texas law.

STAAR provides families information to understand and support their child's learning. STAAR test questions and answers are made available so families and teachers can work together to support student learning. You can find more information about how to support your student's learning at home on The Family Portal at TexasAssessment.gov.

STAAR was redesigned in the 2022-23 school year to better align with classroom instruction. Input from educators and students throughout the state of Texas has improved the types of questions that will allow students to better demonstrate their knowledge of concepts and skills.

What you can do to help your student:
Practice at home with an online tutorial. TEA offers online tutorials and practice tests that show the student what the testing environment looks like and how to use the online tools offered on the test.

Review sample STAAR content by looking at sample assessment questions, provided on the TEA website, with your student so they know what to expect.

Contact your student's teachers. Check Schoology and the Home Access Center (HAC) to stay up to date with your student's current grades, and what skills and concepts are being taught in their classes. Contact your student's teachers regularly to learn more about your student's progress, skills they may need additional support with, and ideas on how to provide additional support at home.

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What Families Should Know

Parent's Checklist

Sample Test Questions

Practice Tests