

CARRIZO SPRINGS CISD TEST TRANSPARENCY

Texas' student assessment program is designed to measure the extent to which a student has learned and is able to apply the defined knowledge and skills at each tested grade or course level.

Texas has offered a statewide student assessment since 1980. There are four types of state assessments students may be given based on their qualifications:

- **STAAR (State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness):**
 - The STAAR program assesses students in grades 3–8 and high school on key academic subjects such as reading/language arts (RLA), math, science, and social studies. These assessments measure how well students have mastered the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and are used to guide instruction and evaluate academic progress.
 - **End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments:** These STAAR-based assessments are required for high school students in five subjects: Algebra I, English I, English II, Biology, and U.S. History. EOCs ensure students have mastered essential knowledge and skills needed for graduation.
- **STAAR Alternate 2:** Designed for students with significant cognitive disabilities who meet eligibility criteria, this assessment provides a simplified version of the STAAR test. It assesses grades 3–8 and high school students on the same core subjects but through tasks tailored to their needs.
- **TELPAS (Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System):** TELPAS measures the progress of English learners (ELs) in listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. It is administered to all EL students in grades K–12 annually to monitor their English language development.
- **TELPAS Alternate:** This assessment is for English learners with significant cognitive disabilities. It evaluates progress in English language proficiency in grades K–12 through teacher-administered observations and assessments aligned with their abilities.

For more information on the state testing program, visit

<https://www.texasassessment.gov/families.html>

Visit <http://tea.texas.gov/graduation.aspx> for more information regarding testing requirements and graduation.