

HB 1225

[House Bill 1225](#), 88th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, added Section 39.02342 to the Texas Education Code, allowing for a new optional process for districts to provide a paper administration of STAAR to up to three percent of their students. Districts have the flexibility to implement this new optional process and gather paper administration requests as appropriate for their school. The number of students who are provided a paper by request administration of STAAR may not exceed three percent of the number of eligible students enrolled in the district who are administered each assessment.

Eligibility Requirements

District testing personnel may provide a paper administration of STAAR to any student whose parent, guardian, or teacher in the applicable subject area requests a paper version. The parent, guardian, or teacher must submit the request for a paper administration of STAAR to AMCS no later than **September 15** for the December STAAR EOC administration and no later than **December 1** for the Spring STAAR administration.

The following assessments are available for students participating in a paper by request administration:

- STAAR grades 3–8 and EOC regular print
- STAAR Spanish grades 3–5 regular print

It is important to note that the number of students who receive a paper by request administration is separate and distinct from the students who are eligible for a special paper administration of STAAR. Students who are eligible for a special paper administration of STAAR are not counted in the maximum three percent of students who are administered a paper by request administration, but both groups of students are included in the total number of eligible students enrolled in the district who are administered each assessment.

If a student receives Special Education or 504 services and is requesting a paper test, please contact the appropriate campus ARD or 504 committee. There is a different process for those requests.