

MCOE Assessment Network

CAASPP Q & A

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Q: Can Test Administrators have TOMS accounts and set up test sessions for students if they are not the students' teachers of record?

A: Yes. Site Coordinators will set up TOMS accounts for Test Administrators. Any Test Administrator for an organization will be able to test any student enrolled in that organization.

Q: When the ISAAP data file (to identify designated supports and accommodations for SBAC testing) is uploaded to TOMS, will it overwrite all previously-uploaded data or simply update the previous upload?

A: As in TIDE, the ISAAP data tool will overwrite any existing data in TOMS. Each time the file is updated locally, the entire file will need to be uploaded to TOMS. However, designated supports and accommodations can be entered or updated for individual students in TOMS without compromising other student data.

Q: When will students be able to take SBAC practice tests with designated supports and accommodations?

A: In Phase 3 – soon to be implemented – students will be able to login to practice tests with their SSID and designated supports and accommodations that have been entered into TOMS will be available.

Q: Are districts required to test 2nd Grade students with diagnostic assessments?

A: No. CDE has completed review and analysis of available assessments and published tables that illustrate the alignment with Common Core State Standards, reliability, and validity of each of the assessments. See <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/da/> for more details and for links to the ELA and Math tables.

Q: When students transfer from one district to another prior to SBAC testing, with the performance task assigned to them change so that it is consistent with their new enrollment rather than their prior enrollment?

A: “*Good question.*” CAASPP has not been aware of this issue and appreciates this discrepancy being brought forward to their attention.
