



# Paper to Online Transition Plan

4-5-2024

# Program Update: Paper to Online Transition



House Bill (HB) 3261, enacted by the 87th Texas Legislature in 2021, requires state assessments to be administered **online** by the 2022–2023 school year.

- Legislature dates of 2022-23 SY pertained to STAAR and TELPAS

LAS Battery will align to this legislature by transitioning all LEAs who currently use the paper assessments to full online testing:

- All Texas LEAs must start testing all students online, both *preLAS* Online and LAS Links Online starting on the first day of the **2025-2026 school year**.
- LEAs should start to transition as soon as possible by using up their remaining paper materials during the remainder of the current school year and over the course of the 2024-2025 school year.

# Paper Materials Return Process



- Unopened paper materials **purchased after July 1, 2023** may be returned through July 11, 2025.
- All materials must be in original unbroken packages. Loose copies will not be exchanged/credited.
- Examination kits and interpretation guides in their original shrink-wrapped packaging may be returned.
  - Standalone examiner manuals, cue picture books, *preLAS* score sheets (included in the kit) and audio CDs removed from original kits **may not be returned** for credit.
- LEA should include the original invoice if possible.
- LEA to submit an intent to return via a DRC created return form (provided by DRC) prior to shipping the unused materials to DRC.
  - The form will include LEAs return estimate (i.e., student book count, etc.).
  - The form will be posted to the home and ordering pages of [www.LASLinks.com/Texas](http://www.LASLinks.com/Texas) by Monday, April 8, 2024.

# Exchange Rate



- Exchange credit for **online licenses** will be issued for returned materials (no refunds).
- Exchange credit amount will be based on the invoiced pricing of the returned items.
- Returned materials will be verified and credit will be used to offset any **unpaid invoices** before the return will be exchanged/converted to online licenses.
- DRC will make the final determination of credit to be issued based on what is received by the warehouse and in the proper condition.
- Online licenses will be applied to your ID (100) account only.
- LEA will determine type of licenses (i.e., LAS Links 2 domain, LAS links 4 domain, *preLAS*) they would like to convert to in the exchange.

# Additional Details



- Orders for paper materials will **no longer be accepted** after May 30, 2025.
- If LEAs continue to submit orders for paper materials, DRC will remind the LEA of the timing of this transition to online.
- If your LEA has special circumstances as to why you are unable to test fully online, please reach out to DRC and we will work with each LEA on a case-by-case basis.
- Statewide technology webinars will be provided several times during the summer(s) leading up to the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years (and beyond).
  - Recorded webinars will be posted to [www.LASLinks.com/Texas](http://www.LASLinks.com/Texas)
- Statewide and ESC training for online testing will take place during the summer(s) leading up to the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years (and beyond).

# Summer Training Update



- All **ESC onsite and virtual trainings** have been scheduled for June, July and August
  - Check with your ESC for details and registration
  - Test Administration Training
- DRC will provide **statewide** training webinars in August
  - Dates TBD but will be announced on the website and newsletter soon
  - Test Administration Training
  - Technology Training (for district and school IT personnel)

## **Additional Training Resources:**

- DRC's Professional Learning - [LINK](#)
- Pre-Recorded Webinars - [LINK](#)
- Guidance Documents and Videos, Training power points, rubrics, flow charts and calibration practice – under the Professional Development Tab on website



Thank you!



**DRC Customer Service – Texas**

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