State of California Department of Education

INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 3, 2004

TO: MEMBERS, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Geno Flores, Deputy Superintendent

Assessment and Accountability Branch

SUBJECT: 2004 Test Results: STAR and CAHSEE

STAR: The 2004 STAR Program test results are scheduled for public release on Monday, August 16, 2004. California Department of Education (CDE) expects that the release will be missing results for approximately 55,000 students in five districts: Fresno Unified, Long Beach Unified, South Bay Elementary, Stockton Unified, and Travis Unified. These students attend year-round schools and will not complete testing until early August. The results for these students will be included in a second Internet posting in mid-September. The initial posting of results will be available at approximately 10 a.m. on August 16, 2004, at http://star.cde.ca.gov for the:

- California Standards Tests (CSTs)
- California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA)
- California Achievement Tests, Sixth Edition Survey (CAT/6 Survey)
- Spanish Assessment of Basic Education, Second Edition (SABE/2)

Districts began receiving the 2004 results the week of July 19, 2004. The new STAR Student Reports will be delivered to districts between July 28, 2004, and August 6, 2004. Parents/guardians should receive the Student Reports between early August and September 10, 2004.

More than 4.8 million students were tested as part of the 2004 STAR Program. New features include Grade 5 California Science Standards Test which was added to the Program this year, and reports have been combined so that districts will receive summary reports that include both the California Standards Tests (CSTs) and the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) results.

CAHSEE: The 2004 CAHSEE test results are scheduled for public release on Monday, August 16, 2004. Results will be available at approximately 10 a.m. at http://data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest.

School districts received their February CAHSEE results in April; the March CAHSEE results in May, and the May CAHSEE results in July.

Approximately 450,000 students were tested as part of the 2004 CAHSEE. The 2004 results will be presented to the Board at its September 2004 meeting.