

The following resources are designed for classroom educators to support their understanding of the California Alternate Assessments (CAAs) for English language arts/literacy (ELA) and mathematics. Additional resources are provided for site administration to use when communicating to parents/guardians about the assessments.

Fact Sheet

Answers general questions about various aspects and objectives of the CAAs for ELA and mathematics

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/documents/caaelafactsheet.pdf>

Practice and Training Tests

Opportunities to become familiar with the types of test questions that may appear on the CAAs for ELA and mathematics

- Online Practice and Training Test Portal
Direct access to the practice and training tests, available for all subjects and grade levels
<http://www.caaspp.org/practice-and-training/index.html>
- How to Start a Training Test
Step-by-step instructions for how to access and start a training test
<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/documents/caaqrgrtraining.pdf>
- How to Start a Practice Test
Step-by-step instructions for how to access and start a practice test
<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/documents/caaqrpractice.pdf>

Parent Guide to Understanding

Designed for parents/guardians to address basic questions, such as who takes the assessments, why, when, and how; can be shared during back to school night, at teacher conferences, with the letter that notifies parents/guardians that their child will be taking yearly assessments, or with the annual Student Score Reports

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/documents/caa-pgtu.pdf>

How to Start a Test Session

Step-by-step instructions for how to access and start a test session

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/documents/caatestsessionqrg.pdf>

For Site Administrators

Talking About the CAA

Series of PowerPoint templates for site administrators to use when talking about the CAA

- Talking to Parents
- Talking to Educators

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/altassessment.asp>

Parent Notification Letters

Sample letter templates to serve as notice to parents/guardians of the yearly statewide assessment and when sharing information about student scores

- Notice of Administration
<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/caasppadminnftyltr.asp>
- Student Score Report Letter Template
<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/documents/caa18screcovltr.docx>

