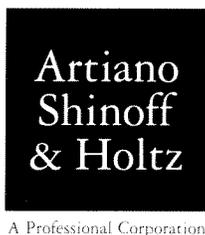


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California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP)  
Test Claim 14-TC-01 and 14-TC-04**

Dear Ms. Halsey:

The following is provided in response to the Draft Parameters & Guidelines ("P & G's") dated January 27, 2016. Claimants request the following be included in the P & G's:

1. Please add the following activity to the P & G's:

Beginning February 3, 2014, the local educational agency (LEA)/CAASPP test site coordinator shall be responsible for ensuring that all designated supports, accommodations and individuals aids are entered into the registration system.

2. Please add the following italics to the first activity (bullet) listed on page four of the P & G's:

Beginning January 1, 2014, *the local educational agency (LEA)* shall provide "a computing device, the use of an assessment technology platform, and the adaptive engine" to administer the CAASPP assessments to all pupils via computer, which includes the acquisition of and ongoing compliance with minimum technology requirements. *The reimbursement costs shall include, but is not limited to, the following: computers, laptops, Ipads, tablets, Professional Development, training, Consultants, servers, broadband, carts, peripheral infrastructure equipment; fiber optic cabling, headphones; earplugs; keyboards; microphones, electrical cords; hardware and software.*

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3. Please add the following italics to the second activity (bullet) listed on page four of the P & G's:

Beginning February 3, 2014, *the local educational agency (LEA)/CAASPP coordinator shall be responsible for assessment technology, and shall ensure current and ongoing compliance with minimum technology specifications as identified by the CAASPP contractor(s) or consortium.*

4. Please add the following italics to the third activity (bullet) listed on page four of the P & G's:

Beginning February 3, 2014, *the local educational agency (LEA) shall notify parents or guardians each year of their pupil's participation in the CAASPP assessment system, including notification that notwithstanding any other provision of law, a parent's or guardian's written request to excuse his or her child from any or all parts of the CAASPP assessments shall be granted. The reimbursement costs shall include, but is not limited to, the following: Making arrangements for the testing of all eligible pupils in alternative education programs or programs conducted off campus, including, but not limited to, non-classroom based programs, continuation schools, independent study, community day schools, county community schools, juvenile court schools, or NPSs.*

5. Please add the following italics to the fourth activity (bullet) listed on page four of the P & G's:

Beginning February 3, 2014, *the local educational agency (LEA) shall score and transmit the CAASPP tests in accordance with manuals or other instructions provided by the contractor or CDE.*

6. Please add the following italics to the fifth activity (bullet) listed on page four of the P & G's:

Beginning February 3, 2014, *the local educational agency (LEA) shall identify pupils unable to access the computer-based version of the CAASPP tests; and report to the CAASPP contractor the number of pupils unable to access the computer-based version of the test.*

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7. Please add the following italics to the sixth activity (bullet) listed on page four of the P & G's:

Beginning February 3, 2014, *the local educational agency (LEA) shall* report to CDE if a pupil in grade 2 was administered a diagnostic assessment in language arts and mathematics that is aligned to the common core academic content standards pursuant to Education Code section 60644.

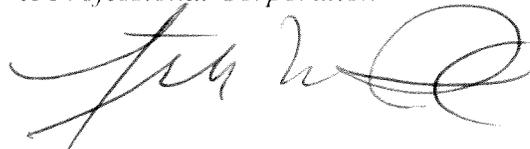
8. Please add the following italics to the seventh activity (bullet) listed on page four of the P & G's:

Beginning February 3, 2014, *the local educational agency (LEA) shall* comply with any and all requests from CAASPP contractors, and abide by any and all instructions provided by the CAASPP contractor or consortium, whether written or oral, that are provided for training or provided for in the administration of a CAASPP test.

Claimants assert the above information is required to provide clarity to the P & G's and to assist the claimants and other interested parties during the claiming process. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on February 11, 2016 at Sacramento, California.



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