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**TO THE ADMINISTRATOR ADDRESSED:**

**SUBJECT: 2017 List of Approved Tests for Assessment of English Language Learners**

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) has completed the annual review of approved tests for use during the 2017-2018 school year in the identification of English language learners as well as exit from bilingual education and English as a second language (ESL) programs, in accordance with 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §89.1225(d) relating to Testing and Classification of Students. The approved tests placed on the list are based on scientific research and measure oral language proficiency in listening and speaking in English and Spanish from Prekindergarten (PK) - Grade 12. Assessments also measure reading and writing in English and Spanish from PK - Grade 12.

The list of approved tests are grouped in the following categories:

- Identification
- Formative Assessment
- Annual Assessment
- Exit (grades 1-12 only)

The 2017-2018 List of Approved Tests for Assessment of English Language Learners can be accessed from the TEA webpage at: <http://tea.texas.gov/bilingual/esl/education/>.

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