Texas Formative Assessment Resource
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

SECTIONS

AR Platform. Educators can use thirteen different templates to create TEKS-based formative

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SECTION B: GENERAL QUESTIONS

What is the Texas Formative

Are simple/embedded entry items (ECR, SCR) graded in TFAR?

No. Simple/embedded entry items are hand graded in the Centralized Reporting System (CRS). After logging into CRS and accessing *Authoring* in the dashboard, select the yellow *Tests To Score* at the top of the screen. A chart will populop

SECTION D: TFAR TESTS

Question D-1
Can a formative assessment be created that combines STAAR Released and Teacher Authored Items?
Yes, when creating a test, items from any item bank can be used.

Question D-2
Can access to the Open Educator Resources Amplify RLA and Eureka Math TEKS edition curriculum items or assessments occur through TFAR?
No. Items or assessments from the Open Educator Resources (OER) curriculum are not available in the TFAR system. However, the assessments CAN be viewed by educators through the *OER-Assessment Viewing Application (AVA)* under *Prepare for Testing* on *TexasAssessment.gov*. In addition, student facing versions can also be found within TDS or the Data Entry Interface (DEI).

Question D-3
Can an assessment be printed?
Yes. Within the *Test Actions* menu ("…") select *Build Booklet*. You can preview and generate a PDF of a student and/ or a teacher edition of the assessment. Complete all information in each section and select *Generate PDF*. The
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Question E-5

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Can TFAR items and/or assessments be shared with other people?

Yes, you can share your TFAR authored items and assessments with other educators, and with a group of educators in your workgroups. Sharing items and tests gives permission for a selected co-author to edit the content, use the content for themselves, or administer your original tests to their students. User permissions are set prior to sharing.

SECTION G: TFAR AND CRS

What reports on TFAR student performance are available?

CRS will display district-, campus-, roster-, student-, and item-level reports for all assessments including TFAR. Users can filter results by specific student demographics. This feature displays the student's score, the student's

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Question H-5

Are there office hours available for direct one to one assistance.?

Yes. Use this online booking link to schedule a 30-min TEAMs meeting.

Question H-6

Where can I find a Cambium Help Guide for TFAR?

You can access it here or after logging into TFAR, the "Help" link is in the upper right corner.