



# Standardized Testing and Reporting Program 2012 Video Updates

## Examiner Segments

The Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program videos **WILL NOT** be revised or reproduced for the 2012 STAR administration. You are encouraged to use the video segments produced in 2009 for training. Use this document to identify which information in videos has changed. Information that is a “2012 program update” is new since 2009. Information that is “No longer applicable in 2012” is in the video but no longer applies to the STAR Program.

Refer to the 2012 nonsecure *Directions for Administration (DFAs)* for detailed information about administering STAR Program tests.

### General

#### *Directions for Administration (DFAs)*

2012 program  
update

There are *DFAs* that cover the California Writing Standards Tests and the California Modified Writing Standards Tests for grades four and seven and a separate *DFA* for the Early Assessment Program (EAP) Essay for eleventh grade students. For the high school tests, there is just one combined *DFA* for the California Standards Tests (CSTs), one for the California Modified Assessment (CMA), and one for the Standards-based Tests in Spanish (STS) for all subjects in grades nine, ten, and eleven.

Not applicable in  
2012

Disregard “*There are DFAs that cover the grades four and seven CST and CMA writing tests and a separate DFA that covers the EAP essay for eleventh grade students. For the high school tests, there’s just one combined DFA for the CSTs and one for the STS for all subjects for grades nine, ten, and eleven.*”

The statement is true, but incomplete.

#### Audio CDs

2012 program  
update

Audio CDs are no longer available.

Not applicable in  
2012

Disregard “*With the availability of audio CDs, you may be asked to monitor students as they listen to the questions read to them.*”

### CSTs, Elementary

#### Grade 2 CST for ELA Questions Read Aloud

2012 program  
update

No questions for the grade two English–language Arts (ELA) test are read aloud.

Not applicable  
starting in 2012

Disregard “*Examiner . . . reads some ELA questions aloud*”

## CSTs, Middle School

### Answer Documents

*2012 program  
update*

The CST answer document is separate from the CMA answer document for grade eight. The front of the CST answer document has a box 7c, “Assessed with CMA,” for students to mark which CMA tests were completed.

## CST, Writing Tests

### Dates of Writing Tests

*2012 program  
update*

Writing test dates are March 6 (makeup March 7) and May 1 (makeup May 2). The return date for most writing materials is March 7 and for some, May 3.

*Not applicable in  
2012*

In 2009, writing tests were offered on different dates in March and May.

## CSTs, High School

### Who Takes CSTs?

*2012 program  
update*

All students in grades nine through eleven except those taking the California Alternate Performance Assessment, or CAPA, or the California Modified Assessment, or CMA, are required to take California Standards Tests, or CSTs.

*Not applicable in  
2012*

The CMA was not mentioned in 2009.

### EAP Permission Circle on Grade Eleven Multiple-Choice Tests

*2012 program  
update*

Students completing the EAP questions may fill in a circle on their answer documents requesting that their test results be sent to the California State University (CSU) and/or the participating California Community Colleges (CCC) campuses.

*Not applicable in  
2012*

Disregard “*Students completing the EAP questions may fill in a circle on their answer documents requesting that ETS forward their test results to the CSU System.*”

This statement is true, but incomplete.

## CMA, Elementary

This video has not changed in 2012.

## CMA, Middle School

### Grade CMA Eight Answer Document Separate from the CST Answer Document

*2012 program  
update*

The CMA grade eight answer document is separate from the CST grade eight answer document. If CMA is pre-identified, a pre-identified CST answer document will accompany the CMA answer document. If the CST answer document is not used, securely destroy the answer document.

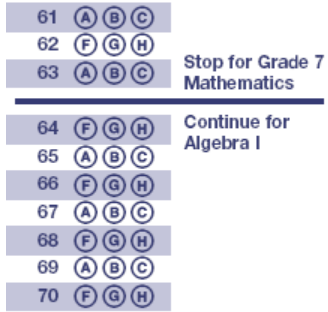
*Not applicable*

Answer circles for both CST and CMA are on the same answer documents. *Since the answer documents both include CST and CMA . . .*

**End-of-Course (EOC) Mathematics CMA Availability for Grades Seven and Eight**

<i>2011 program update</i>	For grade eight, a separate test booklet containing the CMA for Geometry is available to students whose individualized education program (IEP) states that they should take the CMA for Geometry and who completed a Geometry course in the 2011 summer session or will complete it during the 2011–12 school year.
<i>2010 program update</i>	For grades seven and eight, a separate test booklet containing the CMA for Algebra I is available to students whose IEP states that they should take the CMA for Algebra I and who completed an Algebra I course in the 2011 summer session or will complete it during the 2011–12 school year.
<i>Not applicable in 2012</i>	Although not specifically mentioned, in 2009, only the grade-level mathematics test was available for students in grade seven. Disregard “ <i>There is no CMA grade eight math test, so students should take the appropriate CST math test.</i> ”

**CMA for Mathematics (Grade 7) and CMA for Algebra I Differ in the Number of Questions**

<i>2012 program update</i>	Seventy answer circles are available in the mathematics section of the CST/CMA answer document for grade seven and the CMA answer document for grade eight. The CMA for Algebra I has 70 questions but the CMA for grade seven mathematics has 63 questions. A line on the answer document indicates where to stop for the grade seven mathematics test.	
<i>Not applicable in 2012</i>	Although not specifically mentioned, the 2009 grade seven CMA answer document for mathematics that is shown had 63 answer circles.	

**CMA for Geometry Availability for Grade Eight**

<i>2012 program update</i>	A separate test booklet containing the CMA for Geometry is available to students whose IEP states that they should take CMA for Geometry and who completed a Geometry course in summer session in 2011 or will complete it by the end of the 2012 school year.
<i>Not applicable in 2012</i>	Although not specifically mentioned, in 2009, only the grade-level mathematics test was available for students in grade seven. Students in grade eight were required to take a mathematics CST. Disregard “ <i>There is no CMA grade eight math test, so students should take the appropriate CST math test.</i> ”

**CMA Writing Tests**

**Dates of Writing Tests**

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<i>Not applicable in 2012</i>	In 2009, writing tests were offered on different dates in March and May.

## CMA, High School

No video has been made about administering the CMA in high school. The following section contains summary information.

### Which CMA tests are available in high school ?

Available test booklets	Contents
CMA Grade 9 test booklet	CMA for ELA (Grade 9)
CMA Grade 10 test booklet	CMA for ELA (Grade 10), CMA for Life Science (Grade 10)
CMA Grade 11 test booklet	CMA for ELA (Grade 11)
Algebra I test booklet	CMA for Algebra I (available in grades 7–11)
Geometry test booklet	CMA for Geometry (available in grades 8–11)

**Note:** CMA answer documents are grade specific and include all CMA available for that grade. A single CMA *DFA* covers all available CMA available in grades nine through eleven. CMA testing materials are shipped to school districts along with CST testing materials.

### How is it decided which CMA each student takes?

- The student’s IEP team decides that the student takes CMA and in which subjects.
- To take CMA for Algebra I or the CMA for Geometry, the student must complete a course in one of those subjects during the current school year.

### What is the process when a student takes both CMA and CSTs?

Depending on the IEP and completion of courses within the current school year, students can take some content-area tests using CMA and others using CSTs. In grades nine and ten, it is possible for a student to take only CMA. In these cases, only a CMA answer document is required. In grade eleven, the CST for U.S. History is a required test for all students; therefore, a CST answer document is always required. For students taking both CMA and CSTs, complete all demographic data on both CMA and CST answer documents and return them with scorable materials.

Grade	Required CST	Possible EOC CSTs*
9	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Mathematics:</b> General Mathematics (required if student does not take the CMA for Algebra I or Geometry, even if no mathematics course was taken during the current school year), Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Summative High School Mathematics, Integrated Mathematics 1–3</li> <li>▪ <b>Science:</b> Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Physics, Integrated/Coordinated Science 1–4</li> <li>▪ <b>History–Social Science:</b> World History</li> </ul>
10	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Mathematics:</b> Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Summative High School Mathematics, Integrated Mathematics 1–3</li> <li>▪ <b>Science:</b> Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Physics, Integrated/Coordinated Science 1–4</li> <li>▪ <b>History–Social Science:</b> World History</li> </ul>
11	U.S. History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Mathematics:</b> Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Summative High School</li> </ul>

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		Mathematics, Integrated Mathematics 1–3 ▪ <b>Science:</b> Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Physics, Integrated/Coordinated Science 1–4 ▪ <b>History–Social Science:</b> World History

\*Taken if the student completes a course aligned with the test during the current school year

### CAPA

The information in this video has not changed in 2012.

### STS, Elementary

The information in this video has not changed in 2012.

### STS, Middle School

The information in this video has not changed in 2012.

### STS, High School

The information in this video has not changed in 2012.