

MEMORANDUM

August 17, 2023

TO: F. Mike Miles
Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Allison Matney, Ed.D.
Executive Director, Assessment, Accountability, and Compliance

SUBJECT: **JUNE 2023 STAAR END-OF-COURSE PERFORMANCE**

The Houston Independent School District (HISD) has received the results for the June 2023 administration of the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness End-of-Course (STAAR EOC) exams. These exams are a graduation requirement and were given to eligible students who did not meet the satisfactory level of performance in previous administrations (retesters), as well as students who completed a summer school course and tested for the first time.

In general, students must pass the five STAAR EOC assessments (Algebra I, Biology, English I, English II, and U.S. History) to earn a high school diploma from a Texas public or charter school, as required in Texas Education Code (TEC) 39.025. House Bill 999, enacted by the 2021 legislature of the state of Texas, suspended these requirements for all 12th grade students if an individual graduation committee determines that a student is qualified for graduation.

Key Findings:

- Of the 10,725 STAAR EOC tests administered in June 2023, 55 percent (5,850 tests) were taken by ninth-grade students, 30 percent (3,183 tests) were taken by tenth-grade students, 14 percent (1,454 tests) were taken by eleventh-grade students, and 2 percent (207 tests) were taken by twelfth-grade students.
- Of the 5,850 STAAR EOC tests taken by ninth-grade students, 2,418 (41 percent) were taken in English I and 1,896 (32 percent) were taken in Algebra I.
- Students performing at or above the Meets Grade Level Standard ranged from 1 percent on Algebra I to 9 percent on U.S. History.
- Only four percent of testers were taking the EOC assessment with for the first time. U.S. History had the highest percent of first-time testers (21%)
- The percentage of students performing at or above the Meets Grade Level standard remains less than 10% across all five subjects during the summer administration.

Should you have further questions, please contact Allison Matney in Assessment, Accountability, and Compliance at (713) 556-6700. Further distribution of this report is at your discretion.

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Attachments

Table 1 provides a summary of STAAR EOC results (number of tests administered and percent at or above the Approaches, Meets, and Masters Grade Level Standards (first time and retesters combined)) by subject.

**Table 1. HISD STAAR EOC Results for June 2023 (Summer Administration)
All Students Tested - includes First-Time and Retested Students
Percent At or Above Approaches, Meets, and Masters Grade Level Standards**

HISD STAAR EOC Results, June 2023: All Students						
% of students at or above Approaches, Meets, or Masters Grade Level Standards						
STAAR EOC	# Tested	% At or Above Approaches	% At or Above Meets	% Masters	# Failed	% Failed
Algebra I	2,696	26	1	0	1,982	74
Biology	1,565	46	3	0	852	54
English I	3,718	13	2	0	3,223	87
English II	2,353	12	2	0	2,063	88
U.S. History	393	51	9	3	192	49

Source: TEA-Cambium summary report, July 2023
Excludes Alternate 2 results.

Table 2 provides a year-over-year comparison of STAAR EOC results (number of tests administered and percent performing at or above the Approaches Grade Level standard for all students (first time and retesters combined)) by subject.

**Table 2. HISD STAAR EOC Results for June 2022 and June 2023 (Summer Administrations)
All Students Tested - includes First-Time and Retested Students
Percent At or Above Meets Grade Level Standard**

Summer Administration	June 2022		June 2023		1-Year Change
	# Tested	% Meets	# Tested	% Meets	
Algebra I	3,048	1	2,696	1	No Change
Biology	2,072	2	1,565	3	1 %pt. increase
English I	3,367	2	3,718	2	No Change
English II	2,495	2	2,353	2	No Change
U.S. History	831	4	393	9	5 %pt. increase

Sources: TEA-Cambium summary reports, August 2023

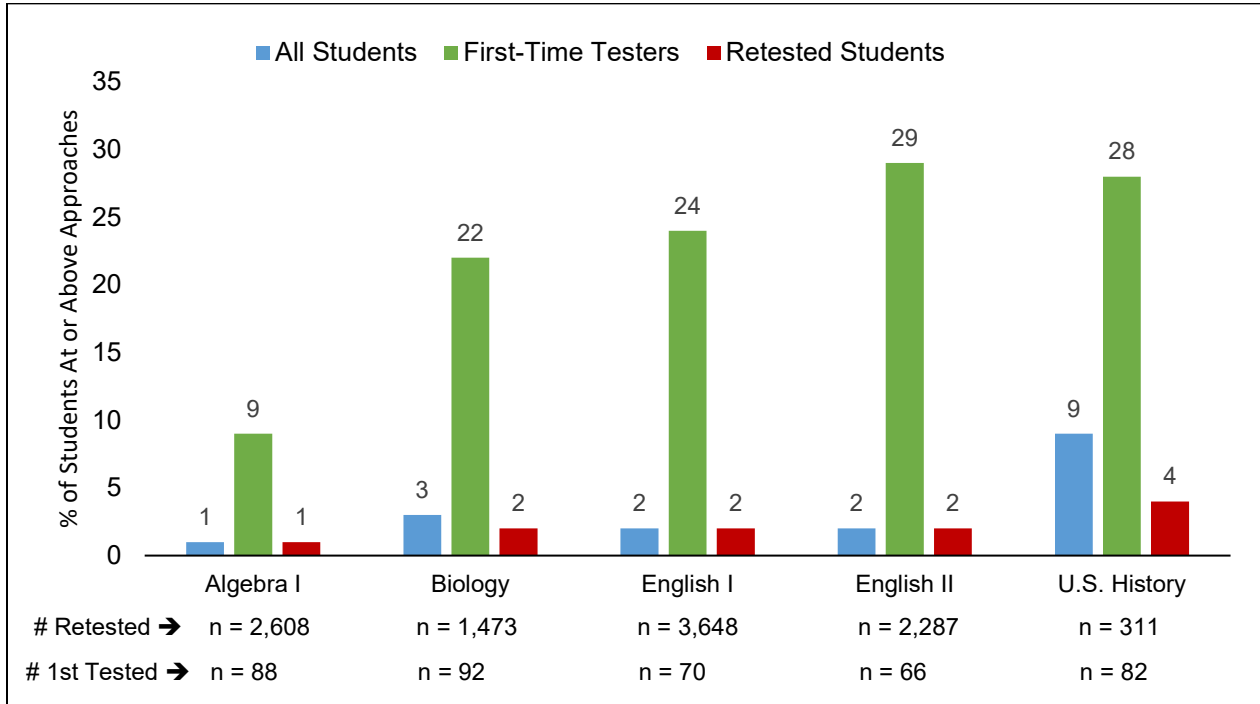
Texas Assessment Management System Analytic Portal, August 1, 2023

Data reflects the most current data available and may differ slightly from data previously reported.
Excludes Alternate 2 results.

Figure 1 provides a summary of STAAR EOC results for the three testing groups:

- All students (includes first-time and retested students combined)
- First-time tested students
- Retested students

**Figure 1. HISD STAAR EOC Results for June 2023 (Summer Administration)
All Students Tested Performance by Testing Group
Percent Met At or Above Meets Grade Level Standard**



Source: TEA-Cambium summary report, July 2023
Excludes Alternate 2 results.

Table 3 provides a summary of STAAR EOC results for all students (first time and retesters combined) by subject and grade level.

Table 3. HISD STAAR EOC Results for June 2023 by Grade Level % of students performing at or above the Approaches, Meets, and Masters Grade Level Standards					
EOC Subject	Grade	# Tested	% App.	% Meet.	% Mast.
Algebra I	7	2	*	*	*
	8	29	66	17	7
	9	1,896	27	1	0
	10	554	23	0	0
	11	193	23	0	0
	12	22	45	0	0
	Total		2,696	26	1
Biology	9	1,052	46	3	0
	10	339	44	2	0
	11	143	45	3	1
	12	31	61	0	0
	Total		1,565	46	3
English I	9	2,418	12	2	0
	10	892	14	2	0
	11	382	18	3	0
	12	26	38	4	0
	Total		3,718	13	2
English II	9	469	8	1	0
	10	1,282	14	3	0
	11	526	11	2	0
	12	76	11	3	0
	Total		2,353	12	2
U.S. History	9	15	53	13	0
	10	116	51	7	1
	11	210	50	10	3
	12	52	58	4	4
	Total		393	51	9

Source: TEA- Cambium EOC data files, August 2023

* <5 testers

Excludes Alternate 2 Results