



# CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## JANUARY 2004 AGENDA

<b>SUBJECT</b> Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program: Including, but not Limited to, a Program Update	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Action</b>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Information</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public Hearing</b>

### Recommendation

Take action as deemed necessary and appropriate.

### Summary of Previous State Board of Education Discussion and Action

- At its October 8, 2002 meeting, the SBE approved a three-year contract with ETS for the California Standards (CSTs) and California Achievement Tests (CAT/6 Survey).
- At its November 2003 meeting, the SBE approved the release of 25% of the CST and CAHSEE items after each year's test administration.
- At its November 2003 meeting, the SBE approved a prototype for a 2004 Student Report that will be used to report each student's CST and CAT/6 Survey results to parents and teachers.

### Summary of Key Issues

- ETS has implemented a new web-based STAR Management System that district STAR coordinators are using to order materials, to submit pre-identification files, and to receive program updates, including alerts about due dates.
- Orders for 2004 testing materials were due to ETS by December 10, 2003. As of December 16, 2003, orders for approximately 84% of the state's districts and charter schools had been verified or were in the verification process. Verification includes checking the orders to ensure that test materials have been ordered for all schools, that each district's testing dates are within the regulatory window, and that the quantities are consistent with previous years. ETS was following up with 75 districts and charter schools that had not submitted orders.
- Department and ETS staffs, with input from the Board liaisons, are finalizing the 2004 reporting package including the new Student Report approved at the November 2003 SBE meeting.

### Fiscal Analysis (as appropriate)

The California Department of Education reviewed the proposed amendments and determined that there are no additional costs associated with them.

### Attachment

None