Assessments provide educators and parents with helpful information to support strong teaching and guide students to their full potential. State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®) is a summative assessment that serves several primary purposes, including determining student mastery of Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS); determining effectiveness of curriculum and instruction programs; helping determine which individual students should receive additional holistic supports; and serving as a bar for rigor and standards alignment in planning

State and federal laws require a redesign of the STAAR that will ensure it is more aligned with how students are learning in the classroom. Beginning with the spring 2023 STAAR administration, students who test online will interact with a variety of new question types in addition to traditional multiple-choice questions. The following table indicates all new question types and the subject areas and grade levels where they could appear on the summative test.