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Dear LEA CAASPP or ELPAC Coordinator,

A new and exciting resource for teachers is coming your way soon!

In late May 2020, the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium will be decommissioning the Digital Library in preparation for the launch of an advanced suite of resources for teachers—**Tools for Teachers**.

This new website will feature instructional and professional development resources authored with a focus on implementing the formative assessment process in the classroom, and ensuring alignment with Smarter Balanced claims and targets, as well as the Common Core State Standards. Each resource will have embedded instructional differentiation recommendations along with accessibility and formative assessment strategies. The **Tools for Teachers** platform will offer resources that are easy to search and are fully accessible (WCAG 2.1 AA-compliant).

Smarter Balanced is expecting to release **Tools for Teachers** with updated content and new features in **Fall 2020**. An initial site preview for LEAs is expected in June 2020.

Please note that all currently registered users of the Digital Library will soon start receiving information about **Tools for Teachers** and may have questions. As the transition takes place, some of the existing Digital Library resources will be removed and existing Digital Library users will no longer have access to the resources they designated as “**Favorites**.” You may wish to advise your teachers to download any resources they use frequently as some of them will no longer be offered on the updated website.

In the coming months, the California Department of Education will send more information to support you and your teachers during this transition. In the meantime, please visit the **Tools for Teachers information page** at <https://www.smarterbalanced.org/tools-for-teachers/> to learn more about this exciting new website.

If you have any questions, please contact the California Technical Assistance Center (CalTAC) by phone at 1-800-955-2954 or by email at [caltac@ets.org](mailto:caltac@ets.org).

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