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Dear LEA CAASPP Coordinator:

Welcome to the 2018–19 school year! CAASPP systems have resumed operation after they were updated to support 2018–19 CAASPP testing.

Test Operations Management System (TOMS)

The following features and enhancements are now available in TOMS:

- Users logging on to TOMS for the first time will need to complete a two-step authentication via email. The email is generated and sent immediately to the user's email address with a six-digit verification code that expires in 15 minutes. Once the code is entered, the user will be directed to TOMS. If a user uses a different browser, private browser, or different device, or if cookies are cleared from a user's device, the user will be asked to complete the two-step authentication once again.

- Test administration window setup is now available. The deadline for establishing the selected testing window(s) is December 1, 2018.

- Users with multiple roles have the ability to select their role during logon.

- TOMS now allows users who are responsible for multiple programs to switch between the CAASPP and English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) version of TOMS once they are logged on.

- Searchable online help and contextual help links are now available within TOMS, allowing users to view relevant resources. This contextual help also provides seamless access to secure resources using the same logon credentials as TOMS.

- View the [2018–19 TOMS User Improvements and Help Site](#) presentation for more information.

Smarter Balanced Interim Assessments

Smarter Balanced Interim Assessments are now available to users at local educational agencies (LEAs) that have been set up in TOMS and the Administration and

Registration Tools (ART) interface. Please see the *Smarter Balanced Reporting System User Guide* for information about new enhancements released this past summer.

Accessibility Resource Updates

You can also expect new accessibility resources for both interim and summative assessments, including the following:

- There is a new non-embedded designated support, Medical Device.

- Streamline is now an embedded designated support instead of an embedded accommodation.

- The non-embedded universal tool Scratch Paper now includes permission to use digital graph paper.

- Details about the changes can be found in the *Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium: Usability, Accessibility, and Accommodations Guidelines*; reference page 62 for the revisions log.

As a reminder, please make sure that you update your California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) student demographic data early and often for the upcoming 2018–19 CAASPP administration. Student demographic data in TOMS is read-only; you must access CALPADS to manage and edit student demographic data.

Note: The California Spanish Assessment (CSA) field test **is coming soon!** It will be available for administration on September 17, 2018.

Questions about the 2018?19 CAASPP administration should be directed to the California Technical Assistance Center by phone at 800-955-2954 or by email at caltac@ets.org.

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