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Subject: Coming soon! Smarter Balanced Tools for Teachers



Dear School Principal or School Administrator:

A new and exciting resource for teachers is coming soon!

On May 28, 2020, the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium will decommission the Digital Library to prepare 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 by teachers, with a focus on implementing the formative assessment process during daily classroom instruction. Some of the features of Tools for Teachers are

- responsive, accessible instructional resources aligned with learning standards;
- formative assessment and accessibility strategies embedded in every instructional resource; and
- Interactive Connections Playlists of instructional resources linked to interim assessments.

Starting on June 16, 2020, Tools for Teachers will be available for preview. The official opening of the website is scheduled for September 30, 2020. Local educational agency (LEA) staff with a Digital Library account will receive a Tools for Teachers account automatically, and self registration will be available for new users with an LEA email address.

Last month, all currently registered Digital Library users were notified of the upcoming Digital Library decommission date and advised to download and save any Digital Library resources for future, anticipated use. The California Department of Education will send more information about the new Tools for Teachers website in the coming weeks. In the meantime, visit the [Tools for Teachers information web page](#) to learn more about this exciting new resource.

Please speak with your LEA CAASPP coordinator or CAASPP test site coordinator for more information about Tools for Teachers.

Sincerely,

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