Dear California LEA Staff Trainer:

Registration for the 2020 Interim and Formative Assessment Training Series: Implementing a Comprehensive Assessment System to Improve Learning is available now.

Presented by WestEd on behalf of the California Department of Education, this training series has been developed using a “train-the-trainers” model to assist local educational agency (LEA) staff trainers with presenting materials to the educators at their sites or districts. The training will provide guidance on how to locally train on the following topics, each of which will be presented in a separate module:

- Module 1: Assessment literacy
- Module 2: Performance task design
- Module 3: Scoring performance tasks
- Module 4: Claims and targets
- Module 5: Hand scoring practice
- Module 6: Formative assessment process and Tools for Teachers
- Module 7: Interim assessment resources and systems

For each module, a stand-alone PowerPoint presentation and associated resources, including an overview video, will be provided. Participants will need logon credentials for the Test Operations Management System (TOMS) to be able to access and download the training materials when they are released in late September.

In addition to the stand-alone modules and associated resources, three live webinars will be available to provide LEA staff trainers additional guidance and support. There also will be two virtual Office Hours sessions, where facilitators and participants can ask subject-matter experts questions about the training.

To register for these live sessions, visit the Zoom webinar registration web page.

The dates are as follows:

- **Office Hours, Session #1**
  - What: This is an open Q&A session about the training and materials.
  - When: Thursday, October 1, 2020, 3–5 p.m.
- **Facilitator Support Webinar—Systems and Resources**
• What: This webinar will focus on modules that address systems and resources, including modules 1, 6, and 7.
  o When: Tuesday, October 13, 2020, 3–5 p.m.

• Facilitator Support Webinar—English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA)
  o What: This webinar will focus on ELA-related modules, including modules 2A, 3A, 4A, and 5A.
  o When: Thursday, October 15, 2020, 3–5 p.m.

• Facilitator Support Webinar—Mathematics
  o What: This webinar will focus on mathematics-related modules, including modules 2B, 3B, 4B, and 5B.
  o When: Tuesday, October 20, 2020, 3–5 p.m.

• Office Hours, Session #2
  o What: This is an open Q&A session about the training and materials.
  o When: Thursday, October 29, 2020, 3–5 p.m.

Questions regarding the 2020 Interim and Formative Assessment Training Series should be directed to CalOutreach@ets.org.

Sincerely,

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