

Update E-mail to CDCs to be sent Tuesday, March 31, 2009

Subject: CELDT 2009-10 Update

Dear CELDT District Coordinators:

CELDT 2009-10 Update

Ordering Test Materials. Online ordering for the 2009-10 CELDT test materials is open through Friday, April 3, 2009. To place an order, you must have a secure district ID and password. (The 2008-09 district password provided by CTB is not valid on this Web site.) If you have not yet received your log in information, please be sure you have sent in your Superintendent's Designation of CELDT Coordinator form for 2009-10. You may obtain this form from the Home page of the new CELDT Web site at www.celdt.org.

NEW! Orders Excel Template. For those districts wishing to place a test materials order using an Excel spreadsheet instead of the data entry screens on the Web site, you may download the new Orders Excel Template from the secure District Portal. Once you have entered the orders information into the Excel template, you may upload the file via the secure District Portal. Complete instructions and the link to the downloadable Excel template may be found at www.celdt.org on the secure District Portal (requires log in).

CELDT Live! 1A. The first *CELDT Live!* WebEx presentation was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2009 and covered the online ordering of test materials. A PDF of the Power Point slides and a recorded archive are available on the new CELDT Web site at www.celdt.org/workshops/live. We received many good questions from our audience and have compiled a **Frequently Asked Questions** document and posted it on the Web site along with the archive.

CELDT Live! 1B. The next CELDT Live! WebEx presentation will be held on April 14 at 3:30 p.m., and will cover information related to the new kindergarten and grade one (K-1) Reading and Writing test. In this presentation we will provide information related to requirements for testing K-1 students, findings from the field test that has just concluded, the amount of time the operational test will take to administer, the scoring of the test, the types of items included, and other aspects of the test. We hope you will be able to attend this important informational presentation. (Remember that it will be recorded and archived on the CELDT Web site so you may review it at any time after the live presentation.)

STOT Training Workshops. Please note that the registration for the Scoring Training of Trainers (STOT) workshops is now open. At least one person from each district and independent charter school must attend one of the 20 training workshops to be held around the state from April 30 to June 12. (Four make-up workshops will be held in July and August.) No password is needed to register.

To register, visit the CELDT Web site at www.celdt.org/workshops/scoring and click on the “Register Now” button. Questions regarding the STOT workshops may be e-mailed to workshops@celdt.org.

For questions related to the 2009-10 CELDT, please contact the new CELDT customer support center at 866-850-1039, or by e-mail at support@celdt.org.

Sincerely,

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