

STAAR Assessment Management System – Practice Site Overview

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STAAR Assessment Management System Practice Site Login

Practice Site Login

URL: <https://tx-toms-training.ets.org>

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://tx-toms-training.ets.org/mt/dashboard/AnnouncementsTab.htm>. The page title is "Practice Site". The header includes the STAAR Assessment Management System logo and navigation links for Dashboard, Profile, TAMS, Help, and Logout. The main content area displays "Dashboard: Welcome, Whitney Williams" and a "Create Announcement" button. A sidebar on the left lists menu items: Program, Organizations, Users, Students, Test Admins, Online Testing, Orders, and Reports. At the bottom right, it says "Showing 1 of 1".

Review of Practice Site

Overview

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- Red banner at the top of each screen to easily differentiate between the practice site from the STAAR Assessment Management System
- Can be used by regions and districts for yearly training and additional training as needed

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- Functionality mirrors the STAAR Assessment Management System.
 - Five spring test administrations are available as open windows,
- Directional text updated with in-depth information to assist DTCs and ESCs with functionality in each tab

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- Access was granted to all DTCs and ESC coordinators listed in AskTED.
 - Users should have received 2 emails (user name, password).
 - Additional users can be added by DTCs and ESCs.
- 20 students preloaded for every campus in each district using the following convention: First Name (Testing Mode), Last Name (Grade)
 - Example: Online Seven

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Overview of Tabs

Review of Practice Site – Overview of Tabs

- Organizations
- Users
- Students
- Online Testing
- Orders
- Reports

Customer Support

Texas Assessment Support Center

Monday–Friday

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM CT

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Call or email the Texas Assessment Support Center for assistance with:

- information about online testing or online testing procedures
- navigating the Assessment Management System
- managing examinee data
- setting up test sessions
- assigning usernames and passwords
- accessing resources
- questions about STAAR Online testing communications
- ordering additional braille materials
- setting up a test run of the STAAR Online Testing Platform
- network problems
- Local Caching Software (LCS) issues
- evaluating infrastructure
- hardware and software requirements or problems
- wireless networking issues
- technical emergencies
- solving online testing set-up issues