



To: TASC Test Coordinators
From: Data Recognition Corporation | CTB
Subject: Highlights for New York's Transition to TASC Test GHI

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Data Recognition Corporation | CTB is proud to announce the highly anticipated release of TASC Test GHI, which will be powered by the innovative DRC INSIGHT online test engine. This notice is to provide you with some preliminary information and important dates about the transition from TASC Test DEF to TASC Test GHI.

TASC Test Coordinator Kits will be arriving soon at test centers, followed by announcements for training opportunities, and the new paper versions of the TASC Test will be delivered throughout the state early next month.

- Computer and paper-based versions of TASC Test GHI will be operational beginning on **September 7, 2016**.
- To avoid any testing disruptions, all tests scheduled through the Registration and Scheduling System will be assigned to TASC Test DEF through Tuesday, **September 6**. Answer documents associated with TASC Test DEF will continue to be accepted for a period of time thereafter.
 - The Registration and Scheduling system will automatically switch any scheduled tests with forms DEF to the new test forms, GHI, after September 6.
 - Wednesday, **September 7**, is the first day test centers will be able print test tickets and associate/barcode answer sheets for TASC Test GHI administrations. Depending on your test center's process, you may wish to block all or part of the day on September 7 for test session preparations.
- Test Coordinator Kits will be delivered to test centers on or about **August 5**. The kits will contain administrative materials to be used in conjunction with TASC Test GHI as well as copies of the *Test Administration Manual*.
- A wide range of training and support options will be available over the course of the next several weeks to help test centers transition to the new test and online test engine.
 - TASC Test GHI Training Sessions: August 9, 10, 11, 17, 18

DATE	TOPIC
August 9 - 10:30 am Eastern	Registration and Scheduling
August 10 - 10:30 am Eastern	Paper-based Testing
August 11 - 10:30 am Eastern	Computer-based Testing
August 17 - 9:30 am Eastern	Accommodations
August 18 - 9:30 am Eastern	Return of Materials



- DRC INSIGHT Technical Training for Technology Coordinators: August 11, 19, 25
- Print-based testing materials (including English and Spanish test booklets and answer booklets and the *Examiner's Manual Directions for Paper-Based Tests* and *Examiner's Manual Directions for Computer-Based Tests*) will be delivered on or about **September 7**.
- After the delivery, test centers will need to inventory the print-based testing materials received against the TASC Test Security Checklist that will be included in the shipment. Please use locked boxes to return your old TASC Test DEF materials to DRC | CTB for secure destruction by **September 15**.
- Testing with TASC Test GHI will begin on **September 7**.
- NYSED is conducting annual TASC Coordinator and Examiner training sessions during August and early September. Please be advised that no test center may administer the new test forms, GHI until appropriate staff from the center have attended this mandatory NYSED training. Questions on this training can be directed to HSE@nysed.gov.

Additional details will be forthcoming to guide your transition to TASC Test GHI. Please do not hesitate to contact the TASC Test Helpdesk with any questions at the email address or telephone number below. We look forward to assisting you.

Sincerely,

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