# 6.0 Administrative Considerations, Accessibility Features, and Accommodations



# 6.1 Introduction

Administrative considerations, accessibility features, and accommodations are changes to assessment administration that provide individual students access to test. Administrative considerations and accessibility features are available to any student, as appropriate, while accommodations are only available to students with disabilities and students learning English who have a documented need on their IEP, 504, or Multilingual Learner (ML) plans.

Districts must have a plan in place to ensure and monitor the appropriate use of administrative considerations, accessibility features, and accommodations. Any modification of the assessment fundamentally changes the assessment's intended measure and, therefore, is a misadministration resulting in an invalid score.

## **6.1.1 Administrative Considerations**

Administrative considerations are available to any student who may benefit from a change in the testing conditions. Districts and schools have the authority to make administrative determinations for any student as long as test security is not compromised, and testing environment requirements are met. Generally, most students are tested with their peers; however, under certain circumstances, a student may benefit from a change in the testing conditions. The following considerations are available to all students:

- Adaptive and specialized equipment or furniture (e.g., slant board, yoga ball)
- Frequent breaks that do not stop the testing clock
- Noise buffers/headphones

- Separate or alternate location
- Small group testing
- Specified seating
- Time of day

**Note**: Administrative considerations are not recorded in PA<sup>next</sup>.

## **Adaptive and Specialized Equipment or Furniture**

Some students may require specialized equipment or furniture such as special seating, weighted vests, fidget tools, or adaptive keyboards and should have access to it during testing. If the other students in the testing environment are familiar with the furniture/equipment (so it is determined not to be a disruption to others), students using the furniture/equipment do not need to test in a separate environment.

### Breaks that DO NOT Stop the Testing Clock

Students must complete each test unit within the specified unit testing time (by content area). Breaks that do not stop the testing clock. During breaks, cover or close student testing device screens or paper-based materials. Students are not allowed to have anything that is prohibited during testing during their breaks.

Students are to remain in the testing environment for breaks during each testing unit. Students may stand up, walk around, or engage in similar activities. The exception for students remaining in the testing environment is for the restroom. In these cases, plan for an escort to minimize the student's interactions with other students on a different testing schedule.

Assess students in an individual testing environment or in a group testing environment for students with similar break needs. Maintain the secure standardized testing environment, and break activity must not distract other students in the testing environment. Students may not interact with one another; only interactions with adults are allowed. Students may not discuss any questions or their answers on the assessment during breaks. Reading, accessing the internet, or making and/or receiving phone calls is not allowed during a break.

## **Noise Buffers/Noise-Cancelling Headphones**

Noise cancelling headphones, earplugs, or other noise buffers not connected to an audio device are allowed.

Note: Check noise buffer compatibility with auditory presentation modes (e.g., text-to-speech) prior to testing.

## Separate or Alternate Testing Location

Students may test in a separate or alternate location from their peers as long as standardized test procedures are followed.

## Small Group Testing (Includes 1:1)

Students may test in a 1:1 or small group testing environment. Assessment policy does not prescribe the minimum or maximum group size for any student; however, for students with IEP, 504, or ML plans, schools must follow group guidelines as documented on the plans (e.g., "less than ten students" or "no more than eight students"). If the plan does not specify the maximum number of students in the small group, follow common practice used for that student during instruction and classroom/district assessment.

#### Specified Seating

Seating students in specified locations in the testing environment during assessment is allowed, as determined at the local level. For example, a student may benefit from being seated away from the door or windows to minimize distractions or away from a heating/cooling vent.

While seating is an administrative consideration, students need to be in a position that is suitable for testing (i.e., lying on the floor during testing is not appropriate). Additionally, it is not appropriate to seat a student in a location that is not visible to the Test Administrator, such as behind a bookshelf separating the student from the rest of the room.

#### Time of Day

Assessment policy does not prescribe the time of day for testing; however, for students with IEP, 504 or ML plans, schools must follow guidelines as documented on the plans. Students requiring a specific time of day for assessment typically have medical needs that impact performance during some portion of the day.

Students testing at a specific time of day should follow the same testing order as close to the general test schedule as possible. Students may not discuss questions or their answers outside of the test session.

If testing on a different timeline from the general student testing schedule is necessary, consult the DAC when developing the student's unique testing schedule to ensure all requirements for test security are met and minimize disruption to the student's instruction.

## **6.1.2** Accessibility Features

Accessibility features are available to all students to increase the accessibility of the assessments. Embedded and Test Administrator-provided accessibility features are available to all students on CMAS assessments. Students determine when and how to utilize these tools throughout the testing experience. Pre-selection is required during the form assignment or initial ordering process for auditory presentation, including text-to-speech and PBT oral scripts; enlarged pointer; and color contrast accessibility features. For more information on form assignment and ordering PBT oral scripts, see the Quick Reference Guide to Special Forms and Ordering located in Appendix B of this manual.

While accessibility features like auditory presentation can be made available to all students, they may not be appropriate for all students. Students eligible for CBT text-to-speech or PBT oral script should use similar access strategies during instruction and classroom assessments.

Note: Contact CDE Assessment regarding ELA/CSLA. Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.

The following tools are available to all students and meet the access needs of most students.

**Table 1: Embedded or Locally Provided Tools** 

Tool	Description	Assessment	TestNav Location (CBT)	Paper-based Tools (PBT)
Answer Eliminator	Visually eliminate (with a red "X") one or more answers	All	Toolbar	Notecard provided by school
Calculator – 4 Function	Addition, subtraction, division, multiplication, and percentage functions	Grade 5 Science	Toolbar	Calculator provided by school
Calculator – 5 Function	Addition, subtraction, division, multiplication, percentage, and square root functions	Grade 6 Math Grade 7 Math	Toolbar	Calculator provided by school
Calculator – Scientific	A range of functionality for general math, algebra, trigonometry, and statistics	Grade 8 Math Grade 8 Science Grade 11 Science	Toolbar	Calculator provided by school
Line Reader Mask	A mask for text that allows a student to read line-by-line	Math and ELA only	User Menu	Ruler or notecard provided by school
Notepad	Take notes (replaces scratch paper)	ELA and Science	Toolbar	Scratch paper provided by school
Pointer (default)	Select answer choices, drag answer choices to correct spots, select image hot spots, or deselect any other tool	All	Toolbar	Not applicable
Pointer – Enlarged	A range of pointer sizes for increased visual accessibility	All	Toolbar	Not applicable
Protractor	Measure angles in degrees	Grades 4 through 7 Math	Toolbar	Included in appropriate test kits
Ruler – Centimeter*	Measure lengths in 1 cm increments	Available as appropriate by assessment	Toolbar	Included in appropriate test kits
Ruler – Inch*	Measure lengths in ¼" increments	Available as appropriate by assessment	Toolbar	Included in appropriate test kits
Spell Check	Checks the student's constructed responses for spelling	ELA only	Constructed Response Toolbar	External spell check device provided by school
Text Highlighter	Highlight words	All	Pointer	Highlighter provided by school
Zoom	Zoom in or out on the screen	All	PC: Keyboard Command (Ctrl and + or -) Mac: Keyboard Command (Command and + or -) iPad or Touch screen: Pinch Chromebook Keyboard command (Ctrl and + or -)	Magnifier provided by school

<sup>\*</sup>Students may use the ruler tool as a line reader guide.

# Accessibility Features Pre-assigned through SR/PNP

The following computer-based testing (CBT) accessibility features are available to students through TestNav only if they are assigned in PAnext prior to testing:

- Color Contrast
- Enlarged Pointer
- Zoom
- Auditory Presentation: Text-to-Speech for Math, Science, and Social Studies

#### **Color Contrast**

Color contrast is available for students who use similar tools to access content during instruction and classroom assessment. For CBT, color contrast settings allow selection from six alternate colors for text and background to best meet student needs. When pre-assigned in PAnext, background and text are automatically adjusted. Some graphics (e.g., charts, graphs, tables, maps and drag-and-drop boxes) are presented in full color on a white background.

For paper-based testing, students may use **external color overlays** if they use similar tools to access content during instruction and classroom-based assessment to adjust print to page contrast. These overlays are full or partial pages of colored plastic. External overlays are provided by the school.

**Note**: For online testing, students may use external overlays combined with color contrast settings. Many items include color graphics that overlays may impact. It is expected that students using overlays will need to adjust their use depending on what is on the screen, similar to how they address the issue during typical computer work.

Students should have the opportunity to practice with the color contrast functionalities and/or overlays on the student practice resources prior to testing. Functionality is dependent upon specific item type and device configurations. The student can adjust color contrast settings through the User Menu in TestNav.

## CBT Special Accessibility Feature Assignment Required:

- Field = Color Contrast
  - Expected Value = refer to information below\*

01 = black text on cream background background

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04 = white text on black background background



02 = black text on light blue background



05 = yellow text on dark blue background



03 = black text on magenta



06 = gray text on green



\*Indicate color overlay (expected value = 07) for students who use a color overlay *instead* of a contrast setting for CBT. If a student uses a color overlay together with a contrast setting for CBT, indicate the contrast setting PAnext *instead* of color overlay.

### PBT Special Accessibility Feature Assignment Required:

- Field = Paper Transcription
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Color Contrast
  - Expected Value = 07 = Color Overlay

## **Enlarged Pointer**

An enlarged pointer is available for students who use similar tools to access content during instruction and classroom assessment. For online testing, this feature presets the student's test form to use an enlarged pointer within TestNav. There are six options from which a student can be assigned a pointer that best meets their needs (see below).

Students should have the opportunity to practice with the enlarged pointer prior to testing. This is done through adjusting the SR/PNP settings of a secure online student practice resource through the PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> Training Site.

### **Special Accessibility Feature Assignment Required:**

- Field = Enlarged Pointer
  - Expected Value =
    - 01 = medium
    - 02 = large
    - 03 = extra-large

- 04 = extra-large-black
- 05 = extra-large-green
- 06 = extra-large-yellow

#### Zoom

A zoomed-in (magnified view) screen is available for students who use similar tools to access content during instruction and classroom assessment. For online testing, zoom settings allow the student to select the magnification level of the on-screen content. There are five preset zoom setting options from which a student may select magnification that best meets their needs. When the zoom setting is pre-assigned in PAnext through the SR/PNP, the on-screen content is automatically adjusted.

Students should have the opportunity to practice with the zoom feature on the app-based student practice resources prior to testing. The student can adjust zoom settings through the User Menu in TestNav.

## **Special Accessibility Feature Assignment Required:**

- Field = Zoom
  - Expected Value =
    - **110 = 110%**
    - **120 = 120%**
    - **150 = 150%**

- **175 = 175%**
- **200 = 200%**

## Auditory Presentation: Text-to-speech (TTS) for Math, Science, and Social Studies

The following information applies to math, science, and social studies assessments. Text-to-speech is the CBT auditory presentation feature available to students who are unable to decode printed or tactile code. These students receive auditory presentation of text during instruction and classroom assessment. Through TTS, on-screen text is read aloud to the student by embedded text-to-speech software. **Note**: Contact CDE Assessment regarding ELA. Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.

Word-for-word highlighting accompanies the device's reading of the on-screen text. Just before a section of text is read, it is highlighted in yellow; each word in that section is highlighted in blue as it is read by the device. When words that appear in an image or graphic are read, the entire graphic panel is highlighted by a blue box. **Note**: Highlight colors may change if different color contrast settings are selected.

Students assigned TTS determine how and when they interact with the feature. There are two ways to interact:

1. Select the "Play" button to read all text from the beginning of the item to the end, including sources



2. The "Toggle Click-to-Hear" button allows the student to select the starting point for activating TTS.



Students use the "Stop" button to stop the reading.



Students use the "Jump Back" button to move the reading to the beginning of the section.



Students use the "Skip Ahead" button to move the reading to the beginning of next section.

Students can adjust TTS reading speed during testing by selecting the Settings button. Select the plus or minus buttons to increase or decrease the speed of the audio.



Students may adjust TTS volume during testing by moving the Volume slider left or right to decrease or increase the volume; however, if the device volume is not "turned on" before signing into TestNav, audio is not accessible.



TTS is only available to students who were pre-assigned TTS through the SR/PNP in PAnext during form assignment.

If tested in a group, students assigned TTS must wear headphones. Students must set the volume at such a level that there is no sound leakage to surrounding students. Students must verify the volume is "turned on" before signing into TestNav by using the "Test Audio" function on the TestNav Sign In screen. Students may test with other students using TTS, as well as students not using TTS. Students who are unable to use headphones may use speakers; however, this requires testing in a one-on-one environment.

Before testing, provide students an opportunity to use TTS with the <u>practice resources</u>. During testing, students may only use TTS through TestNav. Device operating system accessibility features are not allowed during testing.

#### **Special CBT Form Assignment Required:**

- Field = Text-to-Speech
  - Expected Value = 02 = English Text-to-Speech
  - Expected Value = 03 = Spanish Text-to-Speech

While the TTS accessibility feature is available to all students, it may not be appropriate for all students. Students eligible for TTS should be using similar access strategies during instruction and classroom assessment.

# Accessibility Features Pre-assigned and Pre-ordered through SR/PNP

Assignment of the paper-based testing (PBT) accessibility feature, Auditory Presentation: PBT Script for Math, Science, and Social Studies, is required in PAnext prior to the end of the initial materials order window on January 30, 2026.

## **Auditory Presentation: PBT Script for Math, Science, and Social Studies**

The following information applies to math, science, and social studies assessments. PBT script is the paper-based auditory presentation available to a student who is unable to decode printed or tactile code and receives auditory presentation of text during instruction and classroom assessment. Through an auditory presentation script, assessment text is read aloud to the student by a Test Administrator. **Note**: Contact CDE Assessment regarding ELA/CSLA. Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.

A trained Test Administrator uses the auditory presentation script to read the entire test orally to a student who is unable to decode printed or tactile code. Administration on a 1:1 basis is recommended (i.e., one Test Administrator to one student). A student should have the option of asking a reader to slow down or repeat text. Test Administrators must read word-for-word from the physical auditory script and may not read from the test book. Auditory presentation scripts are secure; return auditory presentation scripts to the vendor after testing.

Test Administrators must be able to read and pronounce all text correctly. Refer to the 1.2.5 Who May Administer the Assessments in this manual for additional qualifications of Test Administrators.

Test Administrators may have supervised access to the auditory presentation script for the paper-based form 24 hours prior to administration. This time is to ensure that Test Administrators are familiar with the content terminology and the appropriate practices associated with this accommodation.

**Note:** While it is anticipated that most students requiring auditory presentation scripts are able to complete the testing session within the standard testing time, due to the nature of auditory presentation and the need to repeat questions and answer options as requested, an auditory presentation script testing session may take additional time.

#### **Special PBT Form Assignment Required:**

- Field = Accommodation Type
  - Expected Value = IEP504 or Both
- Field = Paper Transcription
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Auditory/Signed Presentation: Script (Reader/Signer)
  - Expected Value = 02 = Auditory/Signer Script

If the paper-based form and *Auditory/Signed Presentation: Script* are indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, the test book and auditory presentation script are received with the district's automatic initial shipment. If the paper-based form and *Auditory/Signed Presentation: Script* are not indicated in PAnext before January 30, an additional order is required.

#### If an additional order is required due to missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special PBT Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level, content area, and language:
  - Test Book/Kit
  - o PBT Auditory/Signed Presentation Script

**Note**: PBT and CBT auditory/signer scripts are not interchangeable. The PBT auditory/signer script does not match a computer-based test, and the CBT auditory/signer script does not match a paper-based test.

While the auditory presentation accessibility feature is available to all students, it may not be appropriate for all students. Students eligible for auditory presentation should be using similar access strategies during instruction and classroom assessment. The paper-based test is an accommodation available only to qualifying students with a documented disability that prevents them from accessing the online assessment, as identified on their IEP or 504 Plan.

# Accessibility Features that do not Require Pre-assignment

Test Administrator-provided accessibility features are available to all students on CMAS assessments. These accessibility features may require testing students in a separate environment.

- General Administration (SAY) Directions Clarified and Repeated as Needed (by Test Administrator)
- Read Aloud to Self

## General Administration (SAY) Directions Clarified and Repeated as Needed (by Test Administrator)

Upon student request, the Test Administrator clarifies general administration directions (SAY instructions) only after reading the directions word-for-word from the *Test Administrator Manual*. A student may also raise their hand and request repetition of the SAY instructions. Clarifying or reading passages or test questions for students is not allowed.

#### **Read Aloud to Self**

A student may read the assessment aloud to him/herself. Devices, such as "whisper phones" are allowed.

This accessibility feature requires the student to test in a 1:1 environment separate from other students.

#### 6.1.3 Accommodations

Assessment accommodations are changes made to assessment procedures that provide a student with access to comprehensible information and an improved opportunity to demonstrate knowledge and skills without affecting the reliability or validity of the assessment. Accommodations provided to a student are based on individual need documented in the student's approved IEP or 504 plan. Students may only utilize accommodations for testing that are specifically listed in the IEP or 504 plan. In addition to accommodations for students with disabilities, Multilingual Learner (ML) accommodations are available to students with a language proficiency designation of NEP or LEP.

Accommodations may not be provided based on a category of disability, level of instruction, environment, or another group characteristic. No accommodations may be provided to a student merely because they are a member of an instructional group. Accommodations are not provided for personal preference and should not provide an unfair advantage to any student. Providing accommodations for the sole purpose of increasing test scores is not ethical.

Responsibility for confirming the need and appropriateness of an accommodation rests with the school-based staff involved with each student's instructional program. The SAC and/or DAC must maintain a master list of all students and their accommodations to ensure appropriate CBT forms are assigned and PBT forms are ordered prior to testing.

Accommodations are available for students with disabilities and/or MLs for both online and paper-based forms of the assessments. The following sections provide information regarding specific accommodations:

- Presentation Accommodations
- Response Accommodations
- Timing Accommodations
- Multilingual Learner Accommodations

In these sections, information is provided on the overall use of the accommodation; additional information is provided if directions vary between paper-based and computer-based accommodation delivery. Some accommodations require special form assignment and ordering physical materials.

With sufficient time to properly plan test administration, DACs and SACs shall collect information regarding students who require testing accommodations. It is imperative test administration reflects needs documented in a student's formal educational plan, and that the student is only provided accommodations comparable to those used regularly during instruction (55% of the time or greater in the specified content area) and on classroom and district assessments-unless a student is accustomed to a particular accommodation, introducing that accommodation on CMAS may impede the student's performance. Once accommodations are verified, the DAC and SAC use this list to identify available resources (e.g., sign language interpreters, translators, and assistive technology equipment) and space needed for small group testing or individual administrations.

Test Administrators who manage "accommodated testing groups" must receive training on the appropriate way to administer that specific assessment accommodation. Training on all applicable accommodations is required for Test Administrators who administer the assessment to students with multiple accommodations.

Important: Colorado Revised Statute §22-7-1006.3 (1) states:

(d) If all or any portion of a state assessment requires a student to use a computer to take the assessment, FOR A STUDENT WITH A DISABILITY WHO HAS AN INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM OR 504 PLAN, AND WHOSE ACCOMMODATION REQUIRES A PENCIL-AND-PAPER FORMAT, the department of education must administer the portions of the state assessment that require a computer in a format that a student may complete using pencil and paper. Each local education provider shall report to the department the number of students it enrolls who will take the state assessment in a pencil-and-paper format.

**Note**: For CBT assessments, while an accommodation may not be identical to the accommodation used during instruction, it should be comparable (e.g., instructional auditory presentation through books on tape is comparable to auditory presentation through text-to-speech).

### **Presentation Accommodations**

Presentation accommodations are changes to the way the assessment is presented to a student with a need for the accommodation, as documented on an IEP or 504 plan. These accommodations do not change the construct of the assessment. Presentation accommodations are available for both computer-based and paper-based assessments. **Note**: To assign a presentation accommodation, the "Accommodation Type" field in the student's PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> registration must be set to "IEP504" or "Both" (indicating the student has both an IEP/504 and ML plan).

**Table 2: Computer-based and Paper-based Presentation Accommodations** 

	Computer-based		Paper-based*	
Accommodation	Accessibility Features Available to All	IEP or 504	Accessibility Features Available to All	IEP or 504
Assistive Technology	Adaptive keyboard, etc.	Ex: screen reader	Not applicable	Not applicable
Auditory Presentation for Math, Science, and Social Studies**	Text-to-Speech	Not Applicable	Auditory Presentation	Not Applicable
Braille	Not applicable	Refer to Tactile Graphics	Not applicable	Braille test materials with tactile graphics
Large Print (18-point font)	Zoom	Zoom	Not applicable	Large Print test materials
Low-Vision Devices (CCTV, etc.)	Zoom	Zoom, projector, magnifier, etc.	Not applicable	Projector, magnifier, etc.
Signed Presentation for Math, Science, and Social Studies**	Not applicable	Signed Presentation	Not applicable	Signed Presentation
Standard Print	Computer-based test	Not applicable	Not applicable	Standard Print test materials
Tactile Graphics	Not applicable	AT Form with Tactile Graphics materials	Not applicable	Refer to Braille
Visual Descriptions	Not applicable	Visual Descriptions	Not applicable	Refer to Large Print

<sup>\*</sup>The paper-based test is an accommodation available only to qualifying students with a documented disability that prevents them from accessing the online assessment as identified on their IEP or 504 Plan.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Contact CDE Assessment Division regarding ELA/CSLA. **Reminder**: Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.

## **Assistive Technology (AT)**

The Assistive Technology (AT) form, as defined for the CMAS assessment, is available for students who use assistive technology to access instruction in the classroom on a day-to-day basis, for assessments, and have appropriate documentation on their formal IEP or 504 plans to use the technology for state assessments.

The AT form for assessments is designed for students taking the online assessment and uses keyboard or switch navigation with programs, software or hardware that interacts directly with TestNav (e.g., adaptive keyboard, screen reader software\*, switch devices, refreshable braille devices, etc.). The AT form is commonly used for students with visual impairments who are proficient in using embedded programs to access digital technology.

The AT form is **not** appropriate in the following cases:

- Software that is not compatible with TestNav requires students to access the test through a secondary device. Students using a secondary device to access the test must not use it to interact with TestNav directly. The Assistive Technology form shall not be assigned for students using a secondary device that does not interact directly with TestNav.
  - The second device may not have Internet access. Do not indicate the use of assistive technology through the Response Accommodation fields for response accommodations using a secondary device (i.e., speech-to-text, word prediction). Ensure Bluetooth and internet connectivity on secondary devices are disabled during testing (see Response Accommodations: Speech-to-Text and/or Word Prediction).
- Speech-to-text (STT), augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) devices, hearing aids, FM systems, or glasses are not considered assistive technology for the purposes of state assessments. The Assistive Technology form shall not be assigned for students using these accommodations.

\*Contact CDE Assessment Division regarding use of a screen reader on ELA/CSLA. Reminder: Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.

**CBT** For assistive technology that is compatible with TestNav, special form assignment is required. The AT form is intended to interact with specific types of AT software, such as screen readers or adaptive keyboards. The AT form reads the code embedded within the item. Some selected response and in-line choice items are presented in a format that allows the technology to interact with the assessment. Not all constructed response editing tools are available for student use because of AT software interactions. Ensure any student assigned the AT form uses software specifically intended for computer access.

Note: Contact CDE Assessment for use of a screen reader on ELA/CSLA. Use of a screen reader on ELA/CSLA modifies the assessment. Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.

#### Special CBT Form Assignment Required for Math and ELA:

- Field = Assistive Technology
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes

**PBT** Not applicable.

### Auditory Presentation Math, Science, and Social Studies

The following information applies to math, science, and social studies. Auditory presentation is available to a student who is unable to decode printed or tactile code and receives auditory presentation of text during instruction and classroom assessment.

Refer to 6.1.2 Accessibility Features – Auditory Presentation: Text-to-Speech (TTS) for Math, Science, and **CBT** Social Studies.

**PBT** Refer to 6.1.2 Accessibility Features – Auditory Presentation: PBT Script for Math, Science, and Social Studies.

#### **Braille**

Available only to students with an IEP or 504 plan with a documented diagnosis of blindness/visual impairment. Determine appropriateness for use of this accommodation with a teacher certified in the area of visual impairments. Only a teacher of the visually impaired (TVI) proficient in reading the braille code used by the student may administer this assessment. This accommodation is typically administered in an individual assessment environment.

**Note:** While it is anticipated that most students are able to complete the testing session within the standard testing time, due to the nature of the test administration and the need for the student to respond in the manner the student uses instructionally, the testing session may take additional time.

**CBT** A student who is blind or has a visual impairment takes the assessment using their preferred assistive technology device/screen reader software (e.g., refreshable braille display, JAWS), pending a trial using the assistive technology (AT) practice forms (securely delivered through the PAnext Training Site) with the student's assistive technology device/software.

This online AT form reads information on the screen using screen reader software and/or a refreshable braille display. If the student is not using headphones, the student must test in a separate one-on-one setting.

#### Notes:

- Contact CDE Assessment for use of a screen reader on ELA as this is a modification to the assessment. Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.
- A student who uses screen reader may also need tactile graphics. Refer to the Tactile Graphics information later in this section.

## Special CBT Form Assignment Required for Math and ELA:

- Field = Assistive Technology
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes

**PBT** The braille test books include content presented in the identified braille code (UEB or UEB Math/Science) and embedded tactile graphics. As needed, visual descriptions are also embedded in the braille test books if a visual description is more accessible than a tactile graphic (as determined by a committee of braille readers). The Teacher Notes received in the braille test kits indicate differences between the braille test book and the standard print test book included for transcription (including added visual descriptions).

The following contents may be included in braille kits (varies by grade level and content area):

- Student
  - UEB or UEB Math/Science Braille Test Books
  - Math only:
    - Braille Protractor (grades 4-7 only; rulers are embedded in the braille test books for all grades)
    - UEB (w/Nemeth) or UEB Math/Science Braille Math Reference Sheets (grades 5-8 only)
  - Science only:
    - UEB (w/Nemeth) or UEB Math/Science Braille Periodic Table (grade 11 only)
- Teacher
  - Teacher Notes for Braille
  - Auditory Presentation Script for Braille (for use as documented on student IEP/504 plans)
  - Transcription Instructions
  - Standard Print Test Book

Test Administrators/TVIs may have access to the Teacher Notes (included in the braille kit) 24 hours prior to the administration of the assessment to ensure all needed materials are procured. Early access to other assessment materials is not allowed other than to verify the correct grade and content area materials were received by reviewing the test book cover only.

Test Administrators transcribe student work demonstrated using tactile tools, such as an abacus or alternate graphing. Test Administrators may assist in placement of a straight edge, or other tools needed, as requested by the student.

The student records answers directly on the adapted format book, on blank braille paper, or uses a brailler or braille note-taker. After testing, the student's responses are **transcribed** by a TVI into TestNav. Transcription instructions are included in the braille kit. Student work and/or answers not transcribed are not scored. See 6.1.6 Transcription Instructions.

### **Special PBT Form Assignment Required:**

- Field = Paper Transcription
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Visual Accommodations
  - Expected Value = 01 = UEB (with Nemeth for Math and Science)
  - Expected Value = 02 = UEB Math/Science

If the braille form is indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, it is received in the district's initial shipment. If the braille form is not indicated in PAnext before January 30, an additional order is required.

## If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special PBT Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level, content area, and braille code:
  - Braille Kit

## **Large Print (18-point font)**

**CBT** Refer to 6.1.2 Accessibility Features – Zoom

Students enlarge the on-screen text and images using "ctrl +" on the keyboard for PCs and Chromebooks, and "command +" on the keyboard for Macs. Students return to standard size by using "ctrl –" keys for PCs and Chromebooks, and "command –" on Macs. Additionally, the zoom tool is available through the TestNav User Menu. On touch screen devices, students enlarge and reduce using pinch-to-zoom.

Students may need to scroll left-right or up-down to view all content when the content is enlarged. Larger monitors allow for increased text and image size with less scrolling.

Students should have the opportunity to practice with zoom functionality on app-based CPRs prior to testing.

**PBT** Large print paper-based forms are available for students as documented in their IEP or 504 plans.

The large print test is packaged as a kit. The large print test books are printed in full color on ivory paper. Test questions are printed in 18-point font; graphics are enlarged. The large print test books are spiral-bound, and the dimensions of the books are 14 inches by 18 inches.

**Note**: Students should be familiar with the use of large print and large paper-based test books as part of their regular instruction and classroom testing environment.

The following contents may be included in the large print kits (varies by grade level, content area, and need):

- Student
  - Large Print Test Book
  - Visual Descriptions Document As needed, separate visual descriptions are automatically included in the large print test kits. These picture descriptions describe select images or graphics in the student's test book.
  - Math only
    - Protractor (grades 4-7 only)
    - Ruler
    - Large Print Math Reference Sheets (grades 5-8 only)

- Science only
  - Large Print Periodic Table (grade 11 only)
  - Magnifier Sheet Included to increase font size as not all text on the science materials meets the 18-point font minimum.
- Teacher
  - Transcription Instructions

After testing, the student's responses are **transcribed** by a Test Administrator into TestNav. Transcription instructions are included in the large print kit. Student work and/or answers not transcribed are not scored. See 6.1.6 Transcription Instructions.

### **Special PBT Form Assignment Required:**

- Field = Paper Transcription
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Visual Accommodations
  - Expected Value = 06 = Large Print

If large print is indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, the kit is received in the district's initial shipment. If the large print is not indicated in PAnext before January 30, an additional order is required.

## If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special PBT Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level, content area, and language:
  - Large Print Kit

#### **Low-Vision Devices**

**CBT** Refer to 6.1.2 Accessibility Features – Zoom

Students enlarge the on-screen text and images using "ctrl +" on the keyboard for PCs and Chromebooks, and "command +" on the keyboard for Macs. Students return to standard size by using "ctrl –" keys for PCs and Chromebooks, and "command –" on Macs. Additionally, the zoom tool is available through the TestNav User Menu. On touch screen devices, students enlarge and reduce using pinch-to-zoom.

Students may need to scroll left-right or up-down to view all content when the content is enlarged. Larger monitors allow for increased text and image size with less scrolling.

Students should have the opportunity to practice with the zoom functionalities on the CPRs prior to testing.

PBT Students use their low vision device with a standard print or large print paper-based form. Student answers in test book. Transcription is only required if the student uses a large print test book.

**Note**: Students should be familiar with the use of the low vision device on paper-based test books as part of their regular instruction and classroom testing environment

## Signed Presentation for Math, Science, and Social Studies – Sign System/Language

The following information applies to math, science, and social studies assessments. Signed presentation is available to a student who is unable to decode printed or tactile code and receives signed presentation of text during instruction and classroom assessment. Signed presentation is available to students with an IEP or 504 plan only, with a documented diagnosis of hearing impairment and whose primary mode of communication is a sign system/language.

A trained Test Administrator signs the entire test to a student who is unable to decode text. Administration on a 1:1 basis is recommended (i.e., one Test Administrator to one student). A student should have the option of asking a signer to slow down or repeat text. Test Administrators must follow the script and may not read from the student's test.

Interpreters interpret the *Auditory/Signer Script for Translation* in the sign language/system typically used with the student (ASL, PSE, or SEE) during instruction. The *Auditory/Signer Script for Translation* and any notes made to facilitate sign language system/interpretation are secure testing materials; return scripts to the vendor after testing.

Interpreters may have supervised access to the script four working days prior to administration to ensure they are familiar with the content terminology and with the appropriate practices associated with this accommodation. Interpreters must use interpretation techniques and tools that do not compromise the security of the assessments or provide an unfair advantage over any other student (e.g., signs used do not provide information that would cue the student to the correct answer; interpreters must not clarify, elaborate, or provide assistance with the meaning of words). Instructions for early access are found in 3.3.1 Training Plan under Accessibility Features and Accommodations.

#### Notes:

- Contact CDE Assessment regarding ELA/CSLA. Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.
- While it is anticipated that most students are able to complete testing session within the standard testing time
  even with this accommodation, due to the nature of auditory and signed presentation and the need to repeat
  questions and answers as requested, an auditory/signer script testing session may take additional time.
- PBT and CBT auditory/signer scripts are not interchangeable. The PBT auditory/signer script does not match a computer-based test and the CBT auditory/signer script does not match a paper-based test.
- Students should be familiar with the use of signed presentation part of their regular instruction and classroom testing environment

An acceptable practice for this accommodation is for the interpreter to sit next to the computer facing the student to allow for the interpreter to point to content words not translated as indicated in the script. This allows the student to maintain contact with the interpreter and the print simultaneously.

#### **Special CBT Form Assignment Required:**

- Field = Auditory/Signed Presentation: Script (Reader/Signer)
  - Expected Value = 01 = Signer/Lang Other than Eng/Spa

#### **Special Session Assignment Required:**

- Proctor Reads Aloud = box checked
- Form Group Type = Auditory/Signed Presentation

If indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, the materials are received in the district's initial shipment. If the appropriate information is not indicated in PAnext before January 30, an additional order is required.

#### If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special CBT Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level and content area:
  - CBT Auditory/Signer Script for Translation

## PBT Special PBT Form Assignment Required:

- Field = Paper Transcription
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Auditory/Signed Presentation: Script (Reader/Signer)
  - Expected Value = 01 = Signer/Lang Other than Eng/Spa

If indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, the materials are received in the district's initial shipment. If the appropriate information is not indicated in PAnext before January 30, an additional order is required.

#### If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

Indicate information under "Special PBT Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test

- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level and content area:
  - Test Book/Kit
  - PBT Auditory/Signer Script for Translation

#### **Standard Print**

Standard print, paper-based testing is an accommodation available to students with a documented disability on their IEP or 504 plan that prevents them from accessing the computer-based assessment. Students using this accommodation for state assessments must use paper regularly during their daily classroom instruction and classroom and district assessments.

### Qualifying students:

- Have a neurological disorder, a condition that causes seizures, or another health condition that prevents the student from accessing digital technology;
- Cannot access digital technology during classroom instruction, classroom assessment, and benchmark assessments

#### **CBT** No additional information

## PBT Special PBT Form Assignment Required:

- Field = Paper Transcription
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes

If indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, the paper test is received in the district's initial shipment. If the paper transcription is not indicated in PAnext before January 30, an additional order is required.

## If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special PBT Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level and content area:
  - Test Book/Kit

### **Tactile Graphics**

**CBT** Images that use raised surfaces felt by a student with visual impairment. They convey non-textual information.

#### **Special CBT Assignment Required:**

- Field = Assistive Technology
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Visual Accommodations
  - Expected Value = 04 = Tactile Graphics (UEB w/Nemeth)
  - Expected Value = 05 = Tactile Graphics (UEB Math/Science)

If indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, the materials are received in the district's initial shipment *if* there are assessment items that require tactile graphics. If not indicated in PAnext before January 30, the DAC may need to place an additional order depending on the necessity of tactile graphics for that grade level and content area. CDE will communicate additional information to DACs regarding materials.

## If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special CBT Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level, content area, and braille code:
  - Tactile Graphics

**PBT** Refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Presentation Accommodations – Braille.

## **Visual Descriptions**

Visual descriptions describe select images or graphics in the student's test. Descriptions are only available for tests and items that were identified as needing visual description by an accessibility committee.

#### **Special CBT Assignment Required:**

- Field = Assistive Technology
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Visual Accommodations
  - Expected Value = 03 = Visual Descriptions

If indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, the materials are received in the district's initial shipment *if* there are assessment items that require visual descriptions. If not indicated in PAnext before January 30, the DAC may need to place an additional order depending on the necessity of visual descriptions for that grade level and content area. CDE will communicate additional information to DACs regarding materials.

### If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special CBT Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level and content area:
  - Visual Descriptions

PBT Refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Presentation Accommodations - Braille Refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Presentation Accommodations – Large Print.

# **Response Accommodations**

Response accommodations are changes to the way the student responds to the assessment. These must be documented in an IEP or 504 plan. These accommodations do not change the construct of the assessment. Response accommodations are available for both computer-based and paper-based assessments. **Note**: To assign a response accommodation, the "Accommodation Type" field in the student's PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> registration must be set to "IEP504" or "Both" (indicating the student has both an IEP/504 and ML plan).

**Table 3: Computer-based and Paper-based Response Accommodations** 

Accommodation		Computer-based	Paper-based*
	Assistive Technology	IEP or 504	IEP or 504
	Brailler/Braille Note-taker	Not Applicable	IEP with Visual Impairment Only
Response	Spoken Response: Human Scribe for Math, Science, and Social Studies	IEP or 504	IEP or 504
	Spoken Response: Speech-to-Text	IEP or 504	Not allowed**
	Talking Calculator/Abacus/Tactile Math Manipulatives	IEP with Visual Impairment Only	IEP with Visual Impairment Only
	Word Prediction	IEP or 504	Not allowed**

<sup>\*</sup>The paper-based test is an accommodation available only to qualifying students with a documented disability that prevents them from accessing the online assessment as identified on their IEP or 504 Plan.

## **Assistive Technology (AT)**

The assistive technology accommodation is available to students, as documented on their IEP or 504 plans, who use AT to respond in the classroom on a day-to-day basis and for assessments. These students must use technology in lieu of a scribe for state assessments. AT includes but is not limited to adaptive keyboards, switch, communication devices (i.e., AAC devices), and adaptive computer input/output devices.

**CBT** For AT that is *compatible* with TestNav, special form assignment is required.

#### **Special CBT Assignment Required:**

- Field = Assistive Technology
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Students who can access a computer-based accommodation do not qualify for the paper-based assessment.

- Field = Response Accommodation
  - Expected Value = 04 = External AT Device

\*The AT form and TTS form are not compatible. If the TTS form is assigned for presentation, and AT is needed for response, the student should access AT on a second device (documented in PNP through only "Response Accommodation" fields, not the "Assistive Technology" field – see below).

For AT that is incompatible with TestNav, students may have a second device in the testing environment to provide access to that software. The second device may not have Internet access or Bluetooth connectivity. CDE must approve the secondary program/software at the district level.

Additional considerations for test security apply when students use AT.

- Students must not retrieve or access work from another student.
- Students must not access additional programs/applications or the Internet while testing.
- Student must not access any previously saved data while in the testing environment.
- AT devices storing student answers are secure test materials. Students may not have access to AT devices until all secure materials are removed from the device. Secure devices that contain secure materials with other secure testing materials.

Student responses saved on second devices require transcription into the student's online test form. Verbatim transcription must occur in the presence of a second trained staff member who verifies the transcription. Student work and/or answers are not scored if they are not transcribed. See 6.1.6 Transcription Instructions.

#### Notes:

- Ensure all Bluetooth and internet connectivity of secondary devices are disabled during testing.
- Extra time is not provided for "lost" work.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Response Accommodation
  - Expected Value = 04 = External AT Device

**PBT** No additional information.

## **Brailler/Braille Note-Taker**

The brailler/braille note-taker accommodation is available only to students with an IEP or 504 plan with a documented diagnosis of blindness/visual impairment. Determine appropriateness for use of this accommodation with a teacher certified in the area of visual impairments (TVI). Only a TVI proficient in reading the braille code used by the student can provide this accommodation.

Administration must take place in an individual testing environment with adequate space for all materials, including the braille test book and brailler/braille note-taker.

Only authorized personnel may have access to the test, test materials, and student answers. Any pages (braille paper, brailler produced, or printed from a braille note-taker) containing the student's answers are secure materials and must be returned to the SAC along with any <u>used</u> scratch paper from the test unit.

## PNP Indicators: Not applicable

СВТ	Not applicable.
	The student records answers directly on the adapted format book, on blank braille paper, or uses a brailler or braille note-taker. The TVI completes <b>verbatim transcription</b> of the student's responses into TestNav in the presence of a second school adult (refer to 6.1.6 Transcription Instructions). Student work and/or answers that are not transcribed are not scored.

## Spoken Response: Human Scribe for Math, Science, and Social Studies

The following information applies to math, science, and social studies assessments. For ELA/CSLA, refer to 6.1.4 Unique Accommodations as the spoken response human scribe accommodation requires an approved UAR for ELA/CSLA.

The spoken response: human scribe accommodation is available for students as documented in their IEP or 504 plans. In making decisions on whether to provide this accommodation, teams are instructed to consider whether the student has either:

- A physical disability that severely limits or prevents the student's motor process of writing through keyboarding or paper/pencil; or
- A disability that severely limits or prevents the student from expressing their thoughts in writing, even after varied and repeated attempts to teach the student to do so.

Before listing the accommodation in the student's IEP or 504 plan, teams should also consider whether the student meets all the following requirements:

- The student receives ongoing, intensive instruction, and/or research-based interventions to learn written expression, as deemed appropriate by the IEP, 504 plan team; **and**
- The student has access to written expression during routine instruction through the use of a scribe, except when the student is receiving direct writing instruction; **and**
- The student's inability to express in written form is documented in an IEP or 504 plan.

Students who use assistive technology to respond in the classroom on a day-to-day basis, for assessments, and who have appropriate documentation on their IEP or 504 plans must use technology in lieu of a scribe for state tests.

The student must be assessed in a separate, one-on-one testing environment.

The scribe records student responses verbatim into the answer field in TestNav. The scribe may not prompt or question the student or correct responses. The scribe may ask the student to restate words, as needed. The scribe may use proper mechanics and spelling. Scribes must be familiar with content vocabulary. For math, the scribe may not set up problems for the student; the student must indicate all steps and work for any given item. The scribe may take notes on scratch paper as dictated by the student. All scratch paper and notes will be turned in to the SAC.

The scribe must allow the student to review the scribed response to edit. If requested by the student, the scribe may read the scribed response back to the student. Read the response in an even tone, being careful not to cue the student to errors. The student may dictate changes or edits to the scribe, and the scribe must make those changes exactly as dictated by the student, even if a change is incorrect. Changes are only allowed during the testing session.

The scribe may ask, "Are you finished?" or, "Is there anything you want to add or remove?" A scribe must take care not to imply in any way that an answer is incomplete or incorrect through these questions.

The scribe may respond to procedural questions asked by the student such as, "Do I have to use the entire space to answer the question?" The scribe may indicate, "No."

Given the interaction with test materials and involvement in recording responses, it is recommended that two adults are present in the testing environment. Scribes must read and write proficiently in the student's spoken or communicative language (English, Spanish, or AAC device).

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Response Accommodation
  - Expected Value = 02 = Scribe

#### **CBT** The Scribe for Math, Science, and Social Studies accommodation is **not** appropriate based solely on:

- A student's preference to speak rather than write/type.
- A student's poor attention span.
- A student's behavioral response to writing.

Scribes must keyboard proficiently. The student tells the scribe exactly what to type directly into the student's test, and, if needed, indicates answers to select on selected response items.

**PBT** The Scribe for Math, Science, and Social Studies accommodation is **not** appropriate based solely on:

- A student's poor handwriting.
- A student's preference to speak rather than write/type.
- A student's poor attention span.
- A student's behavioral response to writing.

Scribes must write legibly. The student tells the scribe exactly what to write in the test book, and, if needed, indicates answers to select on selected response items.

## Spoken Response: Speech-to-Text (STT) – CBT ONLY

Spoken Response: Speech-to-Text (STT) is available to students with a documented need identified on their IEP or 504 plans for instructional and assessment purposes, with a direct connection to the student's disability and the inability to access the test. Students should use this accommodation regularly in instruction and assessment for the documented content area throughout the school year.

In making decisions on whether to provide this accommodation in math, science, social studies, or ELA/CSLA, teams are instructed to consider whether the student has either:

- A physical disability that severely limits or prevents the student's motor process of writing through keyboarding or paper/pencil; or
- A disability that severely limits or prevents the student from expressing their thoughts in writing, even after varied and repeated attempts to teach the student to do so.

Before listing the accommodation in the student's IEP or 504 plan, teams should also consider whether the student meets all the following requirements:

- The student receives ongoing, intensive instruction, and/or research-based interventions to learn written expression, as deemed appropriate by the IEP, 504 plan team; **and**
- The student has access to written expression during routine instruction through the use of STT, except when the student is receiving direct writing instruction; **and**
- The student's inability to express in written form is documented in an IEP or 504 plan.

Spoken Response: STT accommodation for math, ELA, science, and social studies is not appropriate based solely on:

- A student's preference to speak rather than write/type.
- A student's poor attention span.
- A student's behavioral response to writing.

The 2020 CAS expect the students to write independently and proficiently. The Spoken Response: STT accommodation on ELA/CSLA constructed response is appropriate for students with a neurological or orthopedic impairment that significantly limits or prevents the student's motor process of *writing*. It is not appropriate for students based solely on:

- Dyslexia
- Dysgraphia
- Dyscalculia
- Multi-Lingual Learner (NEP/LEP) status
- Language development
- Social-emotional delays
- Behavioral aversion to writing
- A student's dictation performance over writing/typing
- To improve the student's attention span

The student must independently access the speech-to-text device/program/software. The student is expected to selfedit their own work without adult support. The Test Administrator may not provide the student with instructional or navigational support during the testing session. Before leaving the testing environment, the student must be allowed to review their testing responses to make edits independently.

Because this accommodation requires the student to provide answers orally, this accommodation must be provided in an individual 1:1 testing environment.

STT software is not compatible with TestNav 8. Students use a second device in the testing environment to provide access to STT software. The second device may not have Internet access. District use of speech-to-text software on CMAS must be approved by CDE before testing. The Response Capture Technology Secure Use Agreement is found on the State Assessment Accommodations Training page.\*

Additional considerations for test security must be applied when students use STT software.

- Students must not retrieve or access work from another student.
- Students must not be able to access additional programs/applications or the Internet while testing.
- Students must not be able to access any previously saved data while in the testing environment.

Verbatim transcription should occur in the presence of a second school adult and follow the transcription guidelines (refer to 6.1.6 Transcription Instructions). Student work and/or answers that are not transcribed are not scored.

**Note**: Extra time may not be given for "lost" work.

STT programs that have a kiosk/guided access mode that lock out all other applications/programs while testing should be used. STT programs that can still access the internet while in kiosk/guided access mode are not approved for use by individual students during testing. The text-to-speech and/or auditory component of the STT software must be disabled for use on the ELA/CSLA assessment. Contact the DAC for the list of district-approved STT programs that ensure student privacy and restrict internet access while in kiosk/guided access mode. Test Administrators must be trained in CMAS test administration using the STT accommodation for each STT program they proctor. The DAC should contact CDE for guidance on how to set up testing for these students.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Response Accommodation
  - Expected Value = 01 = Speech-to-Text

Note: STT for ELA/CSLA Selected Response allows students to use STT on the multiple-choice selected response item types only.

\*Use of STT without an approved device/program may result in a misadministration and invalidation of scores.

#### Talking Calculator/Abacus/Tactile Math Manipulatives

Available to students with an IEP or 504 plan with a documented diagnosis of blindness/visual impairment. A student using this accommodation tests in a separate environment. The student uses the calculator or abacus regularly during daily instruction and on all units of the science assessment and the calculator sections/units of the math assessment.

### **PNP Indicators:** Not applicable

	The indicator of the product		
СВТ	Talking calculator or abacus is used in place of the embedded calculator in TestNav.		
PBT	The student's work on the abacus (or brailler) is recorded in the test book by the Test Administrator for constructed response items.		
	All extra/adaptive papers used by the student during the assessment are secure materials. Return extra/adaptive papers to the SAC for secure destruction.		

## **Word Prediction – CBT ONLY**

The word prediction accommodation is available to students as documented on their IEP or 504 plans. Students may use commercially published word prediction software on assistive technology and/or second devices. All constraints indicated with assistive technology apply. The software must work independent of the Internet. Word prediction software is used to answer constructed response items. District use of word prediction software on CMAS must be approved by CDE before testing. The Response Capture Technology Secure Use Agreement is found on the State Assessment Accommodations Training page.

Additional considerations for test security must be applied when students use word prediction software.

- Students must not retrieve or access work from another student.
- Students must not be able to access additional programs/applications or the Internet while testing.
- Students must not be able to access any previously saved data while in the testing environment.

Students must manipulate the software program and their work independently. Test Administrators may not assist students or provide instructions for use of the program during testing.

Verbatim transcription should occur in the presence of a second school adult and follow the transcription guidelines (refer to 6.16 Transcription Instructions). Student work and/or answers that are not transcribed are not scored.

**Note**: Extra time may not be given for "lost" work.

Word prediction programs that have a kiosk/guided access mode that lock out all other applications/programs while testing should be used. Word prediction programs that can still access the internet while in kiosk/guided access mode are not approved for use by individual students during testing. The text-to-speech and/or auditory component of the word prediction software must be disabled for use on the ELA/CSLA assessment. If students are using an auditory component to the word prediction software on the math, science, and social studies assessment, they must use headphones that prevent other students from hearing the sounds, or test in a separate, one-on-one environment. Contact the DAC for the list of district-approved word prediction programs that ensure student privacy and restrict internet access while in kiosk/guided access mode. Test Administrators must be trained in CMAS test administration using the word prediction accommodation for each word prediction program they proctor. The DAC should contact CDE for guidance on how to set up testing for these students.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Word Prediction
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes

**CBT** Word prediction software is not compatible with TestNav. Students will use a second device in the testing environment to provide access to word prediction software. The second device may **not** have Internet access.

Students may use word prediction software as a tool to inform the responses they input directly into the test engine itself. In such cases, the student completes the assessment independently.

If the student is generating their entire response on a second device with the word prediction software, print student work and the Test Administrator transcribes the responses into TestNav before the student begins the next test unit.

Note: Students should be familiar with the use of word prediction as part of their regular instruction and classroom testing environment

**PBT** Not applicable.

# Timing Accommodations

Adjustments to the unit testing time may be made for students with a documented need for the accommodation in their IEP or 504 plans. Note: To assign a timing accommodation, the "Accommodation Type" field in the student's PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> registration must be set to "IEP504" or "Both" (indicating the student has both an IEP/504 and ML plan).

**Table 4: Computer-based and Paper-based Timing Accommodations** 

Accommodation		Computer-based	Paper-based*
8	Time and a Half	Math/ELA/Science	Math/ELA/CSLA/Science
m r	Double Time	Math/ELA/Science	Math/ELA/CSLA/Science
F	Stop-the-Clock Breaks	Math/ELA/Science	Math/ELA/CSLA/Science

<sup>\*</sup>PBT is an accommodation available only to qualifying students with a documented disability that prevents them from accessing the online assessment as identified on their IEP or 504 Plan.

#### Time and a Half

The time and a half accommodation is available to students as documented on their IEP or 504 plan. Scheduling of time and a half extended time sessions should follow the same testing order and be as similar to the general test schedule as possible. Students must be assessed in individual or group testing environments with students with similar extended time needs.

Students with extended time accommodations must be given a unit in a continuous block of time and may not be brought back to work on or complete that unit at a later time (each unit must be completed within the school day in which it was started). Any breaks while the student is testing a unit must be supervised and students may not have access to any materials restricted during testing. Breaks do not stop testing time and may not be extended breaks (i.e., 15 minutes or more). While on break, students may not interact with other students.

Districts may choose to implement policies that allow students to exit the physical testing environment after they completed the assessments. However, it is critical that students leaving the environment are not disruptive to students who are still testing. Students should not feel compelled to complete the test quickly due to peer pressure, or due to being the last student working on the assessment. It is recommended that students with similar skills and abilities be assessed together.

If the standard unit testing time for that session has passed and all students have completed testing (for PBT all test materials must first be turned in), the testing unit may end.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Extended Time
  - Expected Value = 1.5 = Time and half

## **Double Time**

The double time accommodation is available to students as documented on their IEP or 504 plan. Scheduling of extended time sessions should follow the same testing order and be as similar to the general test schedule as possible. Students must be assessed in individual or group testing environments with students with similar extended time needs.

Students with extended time accommodations must be given a unit in a continuous block of time and may not be brought back to work on or complete that unit at a later time (each unit must be completed within the school day in which it was started). Any breaks while the student is testing a unit must be supervised and students may not have access to any restricted materials during testing. Breaks do not stop testing time and may not be extended breaks (i.e., 15 minutes or more). While on break, students may not interact with other students.

Districts may choose to implement policies that allow students to exit the physical testing environment after they have completed the assessments. However, it is critical that students leaving the environment are not disruptive to students who are still testing. Students should not feel compelled to complete the test quickly due to peer pressure, or due to being the last student working on the assessment. It is recommended that students with similar skills and abilities be assessed together.

If the standard unit testing time for that session has passed and all students have completed testing (for PBT all test materials must first be turned in), the testing unit may end.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Extended Time
  - o Expected Value = 2 = Double time

## **Stop-the-Clock Breaks**

Available to students as documented on their IEP or 504 plan. This accommodation is used by students who require shorter testing timeframes. These students use similar accommodations during regular classroom activities, tasks, and assessments. Some students requiring stop-the-clock breaks experience extreme fatigue or have other medical needs that must be addressed while testing (e.g., check blood sugar, visit nurse).

#### **Medical Notes:**

- Students may leave the testing environment to take care of medical needs. Efforts must be made to minimize interaction with other students during this time.
- For unforeseeable medical concerns such as seizure activity, follow "ill during testing" procedures.
- For other medical concerns such as testing blood sugar levels, or visual fatigue (students with a documented vision impairment only), breaks are untimed and should not be counted towards "testing time".
- Students who have an extended time accommodation greater than double time may benefit from Stop-the-Clock Breaks. Contact Arti Sachdeva if you have a student who historically used Extended Time Complete in the Same Day or has an extended time accommodation that is greater than double time.

Outside of stop-the-clock breaks, students must complete each unit within the unit testing time. Test Administrators must track start and end time of breaks to ensure that students are given the appropriate unit testing time.

Breaks are not overnight. Once a unit has begun, it must be completed during the same academic day. Students are to remain in the testing environment for breaks during each unit. The student may stand up, walk around, or engage in similar activities. The exception for students remaining in the testing environment would be for the restroom or if a student needs to access special equipment, such as sensory equipment for calming. In these cases, arrangements must be made for the student to be escorted to minimize interactions with other students on a different testing schedule.

Students must be assessed in individual or group testing environments with students with similar break needs. The secure standardized testing environment must be maintained, and the break activity must not be a distraction to other students. Students should not interact with one another. Students may not discuss any questions or their answers on the assessment during breaks.

Secure assessment material may not be removed from the test environment during breaks. Reading, accessing the internet, or making and/or receiving phone calls is not allowed during a break.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Stop the Clock
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes

At the direction of C.R.S. 22-7-1006.3 (3)(e), additional guidance to divide CMAS assessments into smaller sections for students with an IEP or 504 plan that require shorter testing timeframes:

Each CMAS content area assessment consists of one to three units. Standard unit testing times range from 50 to 90 minutes depending on the assessed content area.

Content Area	Grade(s)	Number of Units	Standard Unit Time
English Language Arts	3 through 8	3	90 minutes
Mathematics	3 through 8	3	65 minutes
Science	5 and 8	3	65 minutes
Science	11	2	50 minutes
Social Studies	4 and 7	1	65 minutes

For standard time administration, all students are able to "pause" their testing time for up to three minutes allowing them to take breaks without impacting actual testing time.

Students who require shorter test interaction timeframes have uncapped "pause" time if stop-the-clock breaks is selected in PAnext.

To provide breaks to facilitate shorter timeframes/smaller sections for qualifying individual students:

- Grades 3 through 8 provide two evenly spaced breaks of up to 20 minutes each\*
- Grade 11 no adjustment needed

\*For English Language Arts, including Colorado Spanish Language Arts, taking breaks while reading passages or responding to the prose constructed response item (i.e., the writing question) is not recommended as this may cause significant disruption to the student's thought process and retention of information. Similarly, breaks taken during science simulation item sets may also cause disruption. Provide a break after completion of the prose constructed response item or the final item in a simulation set, or as requested by the student.

Students using this accommodation must test one-on-one with a Test Administrator or test in a group with students requiring the same timing accommodation and break needs.

- Online Testing: The student has access to a "pause" button in the testing platform, TestNav. Clicking the "pause" button pauses the testing time. When "stop-the-clock" is indicated within the student's test details for a particular content area test, they have unlimited, untimed access to this button. The Test Administrator must tell the student when to click "pause" and when to return to the test if using this accommodation.
- Accommodated Paper Testing: The Test Administrator must track the student's testing time, pausing the time when they instruct the student to take a break. The Test Administrator must also tell the student when to return to the test, continue tracking time, and adjust the unit end time.

To announce a break time, the Test Administrator says: Take your time to finish the question you're working on. When you are finished with that question, raise your hand to let me know you are ready for a break.

If the student refuses provided breaks, follow local procedures to document the accommodation refusal to inform future IEP/504 conversations. If the student does not complete the unit within the school day, this is a misadministration (unless an unforeseen circumstance arises, e.g., the student becomes ill.

СВТ	During breaks, cover or turn off student computer screens.
	During breaks, cover or close student test materials.

# Multilingual Learner (ML) Accommodations

Multilingual Learners with a language proficiency designation of NEP or LEP are eligible for ML accommodations. Accommodations for students learning English change the way the assessment is presented to a student, how the student responds to assessment questions, or timing of the assessment. Accommodations are based on documented needs as indicated in ML plans. MLs with a language proficiency designation of FEP, FELL, or PHLOTE are not eligible for ML accommodations on state assessments. ML accommodations do not change the construct of the assessment. ML accommodations are available for both computer-based and paper-based assessments. Note: To assign an ML accommodation, the "Accommodation Type" field in the student's PearsonAccessnext registration must be set to "ML" or "Both" (indicating the student has both an IEP/504 and ML plan).

### **Additional Notes:**

- ML plan designs vary by district and school. ML plans may be at the district, school, or student level.
- The requirement for participation in an English language development program for five years or less does not include pre-school or kindergarten.
- Auditory Presentation English for math, science, and social studies is available to all students as an accessibility feature through text-to-speech for computer-based testing and oral scripts for accommodated paper-based testing (refer to 6.1.2 Accessibility Features).
- Auditory Presentation Spanish for math, science, and social studies is available as an accessibility feature to ML students using Spanish forms of the assessments. This accessibility feature is provided through text-to-speech for computer-based testing and auditory presentation scripts for accommodated paper-based testing (refer to 6.1.2 Accessibility Features).
- Large Print Spanish is an accommodation available to ML students using Spanish forms of the assessments who also have disabilities as documented on an IEP or 504 plan (refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Presentation Accommodations).
- Scribe Spanish for math, science, and social studies is an accommodation available to ML students using Spanish forms of the assessments who also have disabilities as documented on an IEP or 504 plan (refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Response Accommodations). Scribe for CSLA constructed response is available for some ML students who also have a disability as documented on an IEP or 504 plan and requires a CDE-approved UAR (refer to 6.1.4 Unique Accommodations).
- Speech-to-text Spanish is an accommodation available to some students using Spanish forms of the assessment who also have disabilities as documented on an IEP or 504 plan (refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Response Accommodations).

**Table 5: ML Accommodations** 

	ML Accommodation	Content Area(s)	Notes
	Auditory Presentation – Translated	Math Science Social Studies	<ul> <li>Auditory presentation scripts are translated locally. Translation is only allowed for languages other than English or Spanish.</li> <li>Materials:         <ul> <li>CBT - Auditory Presentation: Oral Script for Translation CBT</li> <li>PBT - Auditory Presentation: Oral Script for Translation PBT</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Presentation	Spanish Form	CSLA in place of ELA Math Science Social Studies	<ul> <li>CBT         <ul> <li>Also available with Text-to-Speech for math, science, and social studies</li> </ul> </li> <li>PBT**</li> </ul>
	Translated General Administration (SAY) Instructions	All	<ul> <li>Only the general administration (SAY) instructions that appear in the TAM may be translated.</li> <li>Spanish SAY instructions – Included in the TAM</li> <li>Languages other than English or Spanish - local translation required</li> </ul>
	Word-to-Word Dictionary	All	Provided locally - may not contain definitions
	Response in Language other than English or Spanish	Math Science Social Studies	<ul> <li>Written response - requires local translation and transcription</li> <li>Spoken response (scribe) - must have IEP/504 and ML plan - requires local scribing, translation, and transcription</li> </ul>
	Scribe - English	ELA* Math Science Social Studies	As English is not the native language, the scribe accommodation may be appropriate based on ML plan documentation.
Response	Speech-to-Text – English	ELA Math Science Social Studies	<ul> <li>As English is not the native language, the speech-to-text accommodation may be appropriate based on ML plan documentation.</li> </ul>
Res	Spanish Response	CSLA in place of ELA Math Science Social Studies	<ul> <li>Written response - CSLA form - Spanish response required</li> <li>Written response - English forms (excluding ELA) - do not translate and transcribe Spanish responses</li> <li>Spoken response (scribe) - must have IEP/504 and ML plan*</li> <li>Spoken response (STT) - must have IEP/504 and ML plan</li> </ul>
	Word Prediction	ELA or CSLA Math Science Social Studies	<ul> <li>Provided locally - Students use commercially published word prediction software on assistive technology devices to answer constructed response items. (May not connect to the Internet.)</li> </ul>
Timing	Time and a Half	Math ELA or CSLA Science Social Studies	<ul> <li>Spanish forms - must have IEP/504</li> <li>English forms - ML plan qualifies student for accommodation</li> </ul>
	Stop the Clock Breaks	Math ELA or CSLA Science Social Studies	<ul> <li>Spanish forms – must have an IEP/504</li> <li>English forms – ML plan qualifies student for accommodation</li> </ul>

<sup>\*</sup>For ELA/CSLA, constructed response scribe requires a CDE-approved UAR (refer to 6.1.4 Unique Accommodations).

<sup>\*\*</sup>PBT is an accommodation available only to qualifying students with a documented disability that prevents them from accessing the online assessment as identified on their IEP or 504 Plan.

## Auditory Presentation for Math, Science, and Social Studies - Translated

The following information applies to math, science, and social studies assessments. This accommodation is available to students with a primary or home language other than English or Spanish in an English language development program for five years or less. Students should have received content-based instruction (math, science, or social studies) in their native language within the school year.

The Test Administrator (TA) uses the locally translated script to read the entire test to a student who is unable to **decode** text. TAs should be provided on an individual, 1:1 basis so each student has the option to ask the reader to slow down or repeat text. TAs must read word-for-word from the oral script and may not read from the test book. TAs must be able to read and pronounce the student's native language correctly. Translators may have supervised access to the auditory presentation script four days prior to administration to ensure familiarity with content terminology and this accommodation's appropriate practices. Translators must use translation techniques and tools that do not compromise assessment security. Instructions for early access are found in 3.3.1 Training Plan. The Auditory/Signer Script for Translation and translated scripts are secure and must be returned to the vendor after testing.

**Note:** While it is anticipated that most students requiring oral scripts will be able to complete the testing session within the standard testing time, due to the nature of auditory presentation and the need to repeat questions and answer options as requested, an oral script testing session may take additional time.

If the below information is indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, appropriate materials are received with the district's automatic initial shipment. If not indicated in PAnext before January 30, an additional order is required.

## **CBT** Special Form Assignment Required:

- Field = Auditory/Signed Presentation: Script (Reader/Signer)
  - Expected Value = 01 = Signer/Lang Other than Eng/Spa

## **Special Session Assignment Required:**

- Proctor Reads Aloud = box checked
- Form Group Type = Auditory/Signed Presentation

### If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level, content area, and testing mode:
  - CBT Auditory/Signer Script for Translation

### PBT Special Form Assignment Required:

- Field = Paper Transcription
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Auditory/Signed Presentation: Script (Reader/Signer)
  - Expected Value = 01 = Signer/Lang Other than Eng/Spa

### If an additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level, content area, and testing mode:
  - Test Book/Kit
  - PBT Auditory/Signer Script for Translation

## **Spanish Form**

Math, science, and social studies assessments are available in Spanish. The Colorado Spanish Language Arts (CSLA)\* is an accommodated version of the ELA assessment available to qualifying students in grades 3 and 4 (eligible students must have received Spanish language arts instruction within the school year).

Districts must determine if the Spanish math, science, or CSLA form is the best choice for the student or if an English CMAS form with ML accommodations or translated CoAlt assessment will better help the student access assessment

content. District assessment leadership should collaborate with ML staff to evaluate appropriateness and eligibility of students to take the Spanish version of an assessment.

Available to students in an English language development program for five years or less. Refer to the *Decision Making Flowcharts*: Language Arts and Math, Science, and Social Studies.

\*Because CSLA is an accommodation itself, other ML accommodations are not allowed. Students taking CSLA should not have an ELA registration in PAnext but must have a math assignment (ML accommodations are available for math).

## Special Form Assignment Required:

- Field = Test Code
  - Expected Values
    - Math
      - MAT03 = Grade 3 Math
      - MAT04 = Grade 4 Math
      - MAT05 = Grade 5 Math
      - MAT06 = Grade 6 Math
      - MAT07 = Grade 7 Math
      - MAT08 = Grade 8 Math
- CSLA (paper-based only)
  - SLA03 = Grade 3 CSLA
  - SLA04 = Grade 4 CSLA
- Science
  - SC05S = Grade 5 Science
  - SC08S = Grade 8 Science
  - SC11S = Grade 11 Science
- Social Studies
  - SS04S = Grade 4 Social Studies
  - SS07S = Grade 7 Social Studies

## **CBT Spanish Transadapted form:** Test content presented in Spanish.

## **Special CBT Form Assignment Required:**

- Information indicated above AND one of the following forms:
- Spanish form (no TTS)
  - Field = Spanish Transadaptation of the Assessment
    - Expected Value = SPA = Spanish
- Spanish form with TTS
  - Field = Auditory Presentation: Text-to-Speech
    - Expected Value = 03 = Spanish TTS

### **PBT** Available paper-based Spanish forms:

- Math, science, and social studies test content presented in Spanish.
- ELA grades 3 and 4 CSLA is available for eligible students.

## **Special PBT Form Assignment Required:**

- Field = Paper Transcription
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes
- Field = Spanish Transadaptation of the Assessment
  - Expected Value = SPA = Spanish

If the appropriate information is indicated in PAnext before January 30, 2026, the appropriate materials are received in the district's initial shipment. If the appropriate information is not indicated in PAnext before January 30, an additional order is required.

## If and additional order is required due to a missed deadline:

- Indicate information under "Special Form Assignment Required" on PNP for student's test
- Place Additional Order through PAnext for correct grade level and content area:
  - Test Book/Kit

## **Translated General Administration (SAY) Instructions**

The Test Administrator-read general administration instructions that are read aloud to all students in a testing environment (SAY instructions) may be translated into the student's native language. No passages or test questions may be clarified. This accommodation does not provide a translation of the test content into the student's native language (refer to *Auditory Presentation – Translated*).

Spanish SAY instructions are available in the TAM. Translations into languages other than English or Spanish must be completed locally.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Administration Directions Read Aloud/Clarified in Student's Native Language
  - Expected Value = SPA = Spanish
  - o Expected Value = HT = Human Translator

## Word-to-Word Dictionary (also considered a response accommodation)

A word-to-word dictionary (English and the student's native language) is provided by the school. This must be a paper-based linguistic dictionary. The word-to-word dictionary may not contain definitions.

Test Administrators may not assist students with dictionary use.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Word-to-Word Dictionary
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes

# Response in Language other than English or Spanish (Requires Translation and Transcription) for Math, Science, and Social Studies

The following information applies to math, science, and social studies assessments. This accommodation is available to students with a home language other than English or Spanish. Students should have received content-based instruction in their native language within the school year.

**Student written response** – The translator/transcriber must be proficient in reading and writing in the student's native language and English. The translator should be familiar with the content area in both English and the student's native language. The translator must write legibly.

**Student spoken response (scribe)** – In addition to the aforementioned criteria, qualifying students must also have an IEP or 504 plan. This scribe accommodation must be administered individually in a separate testing environment. The scribe must be familiar with the tested content area and proficient in reading and writing in the student's native language and English. The scribe must write legibly.

This scribe accommodation is not appropriate based solely on:

- A student's poor handwriting.
- A student's preference to speak rather than write/type.
- A student's poor attention span.
- A student's behavioral response to writing.

**Student responses are recorded in the student's language.** In a one-on-one environment, the student tells the scribe exactly what to write on a separate piece of paper, and if needed, indicates answers to select on items.

For constructed response items:

The scribe must record student responses verbatim. The scribe may not prompt or question the student or correct a student's responses. The scribe may ask the student to restate words or parts, as needed, and use proper mechanics and spelling. Scribes must be familiar with content vocabulary.

The scribe must allow the student to review the scribed response in order to make edits. If requested by the student, the scribe may read the scribed response back to the student. The response must be read in an even tone, being careful not to cue the student to errors. The student may dictate changes or edits to the scribe, and the scribe must make those changes exactly as dictated by the student, even if a change is incorrect. All changes must be made during the testing session.

The scribe may ask, "Are you finished?" or, "Is there anything you want to add or remove?" A scribe must take care not to imply in any way that an answer is incomplete or incorrect through these questions. The scribe may respond to procedural questions asked by the student such as, "Do I have to use the entire space to answer the question?" The scribe may indicate, "No."

Given the interaction with test materials and recording responses, it is recommended that two adults are in the test environment during translation and transcription. Pages containing the student's original or translated answers are secure materials and must be returned to the SAC along with used scratch paper provided during the test unit.

Refer to 6.1.6 Transcription Instructions.

Responses in languages other than English on ELA and Spanish on CSLA cannot be translated.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Non-English Response
  - Expected Value = 03 = Language other than English/Spanish Written
  - Expected Value = 04 = Language other than English/Spanish Oral (Scribe and Transcription)

# **CBT** The recommended steps for administering this accommodation are:

- 1. The student (or scribe) writes responses to the constructed response questions on a separate piece of paper in the student's language, indicating each response by item number. The student completes the selected response and technology-enhanced items on the device. The Test Administrator collects the student's responses at the end of the unit.
- 2. The student exits the test unit following the directions in the Transcription Instructions.
- 3. Translate the student's responses into English on a separate piece of paper\*, and
- 4. Transcribe the student's responses into the student's online test form.

\*If the person providing the translation is also the person who will complete the entry into the student's online form, steps 3 and 4 may be combined. The translator/transcriber translates the student's responses into English without embellishment.

### **PBT** The steps for administering this accommodation are:

- 1. The student (or scribe) writes responses to the constructed response questions on a separate piece of paper in the student's language, indicating each response by item number. This paper is kept with the student test book. The Test Administrator collects the student's responses at the end of the unit.
- 2. Translate and transcribe the student's responses into English without embellishment directly into the student's online transcription form (TestNav) after the student completes testing.

## Spoken Response: Human Scribe – English Spoken for Math, Science, and Social Studies

As English is not the native language, the scribe accommodation may be appropriate based on ML plan documentation.

Assess the student in a separate, one-on-one testing environment.

The scribe must record student responses verbatim into the answer field on the test. The scribe may not prompt or question the student or correct a student's responses. The scribe may ask the student to restate words, as needed, and use proper mechanics and spelling. Scribes must be familiar with content vocabulary. For math, the scribe may not set up problems for the student; the student must indicate all steps and work for any given item.

The scribe must allow the student to review the scribed response to make edits. If requested by the student, the scribe may read the response back to the student. Read the response in an even tone, being careful not to cue the student to errors. The student may dictate changes or edits; the scribe must make those changes exactly as dictated by the student, even if a change is incorrect. Only changes made during testing are allowed.

The scribe may ask, "Are you finished?" or, "Is there anything you want to add or remove?" A scribe must take care not to imply in any way that an answer is incomplete or incorrect through these questions.

The scribe may respond to procedural questions asked by the student such as, "Do I have to use the entire space to answer the question?" The scribe may indicate, "No."

Given the interaction with test materials and involvement in recording responses, it is recommended that two adults are present. Scribes must be proficient in reading and writing in the student's spoken language (English or Spanish).

Refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Response Accommodations – Spoken Response: Human Scribe – Math, Science, and Social Studies.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Response Accommodation
  - Expected Value = 02 = Scribe

**CBT** The Scribe for Math, Science, and Social Studies accommodation **is not** appropriate based solely on:

- A student's poor handwriting.
- A student's preference to speak rather than write/type.
- A student's poor attention span.
- A student's behavioral response to writing.

Scribes must be proficient in keyboarding. The student tells the scribe exactly what to type directly into the student's test on the computer, and, if needed, indicates answers to select on items.

**PBT** The Scribe for Math, Science, and Social Studies accommodation is **not** appropriate based solely on:

- A student's poor handwriting.
- A student's preference to speak rather than write/type.
- A student's poor attention span.
- A student's behavioral response to writing.

Scribes must write legibly. The student tells the scribe exactly what to write in the test book, and, if needed, indicates answers to select on selected response items.

### Spoken Response: Speech-to-Text – English (Requires Transcription)

As English is not the native language, speech-to-text may be appropriate based on ML plan documentation.

Refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Response Accommodations – Speech-to-Text.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Response Accommodation
  - Expected Value = 01 = Speech-to-Text

#### **Spanish Response**

The Spanish response accommodation is available to students whose primary language is Spanish. Students should have received content-based instruction in Spanish within the school year.

While Spanish responses on English forms are scored by scorers proficient in English and Spanish, the Spanish Transadapted form should be assigned to students who will respond in Spanish. Do not translate Spanish responses.

Spanish responses on ELA are not scored. In grades 3 and 4, students must respond in Spanish on CSLA.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Non-English Response
  - Expected Value = 01 = Spanish Written
  - Expected Value = 02 = Spanish Oral (Scribe)\*
- Field = Response Accommodation
  - Expected Value = 01 = Speech-to-Text

### Word Prediction – CBT ONLY

The word prediction accommodation is available to students as documented on their ML plans.

Refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Response Accommodations – Word Prediction

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Word Prediction
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes

### Time and a Half

Accommodation available to students using English forms as documented on their ML plans. For students using Spanish math, Spanish science, Spanish social studies, or CSLA forms, a need for time and a half must be documented on an IEP or 504 plan.

Refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Timing Accommodations – Time and a Half.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Extended Time
  - Expected Value = 1.5 = Time and a half

#### **Stop-the-Clock Breaks**

The stop-the-clock breaks accommodation is available to students using English forms as documented on their ML plans. For students using Spanish forms, a need for stop the clock breaks must be documented on an IEP or 504 plan.

Refer to 6.1.3 Accommodations – Timing Accommodations – Stop-the-Clock Breaks.

#### **PNP Indicators:**

- Field = Stop the Clock
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes

<sup>\*</sup>If test is in Spanish, Accommodation Type field must be Both. For CSLA, a CDE-approved UAR is required.

# **6.1.4 Unique Accommodations**

Unique accommodations are available to a significantly limited number of students who have an IEP or 504 plan who meet specific criteria. There must be a direct connection between the student's disability and the ability to access the assessment, which is used to determine qualification for use of a unique accommodation. Requests to use unique accommodations are submitted to CDE by the DAC through the Unique Accommodation Request (UAR) process.

Unique accommodations must be approved by the CDE Assessment Division prior to use on state assessments. UAR forms are available on the <u>State Assessment Accommodations Training</u> page. For math and ELA, these accommodations create an "Accommodations Reminder" in PAnext. Districts are responsible for ensuring that students are only provided with a Unique Accommodation if approval was received from CDE's Assessment Division. If a unique accommodation is provided without CDE approval, the score is invalidated or suppressed, and the student does not count as participating in the assessment. The SAC and/or DAC must locally maintain a master list of all students and their accommodations to ensure appropriate forms and materials are assigned and ordered. **Note**: The 2020 CAS expects students to read (decode a printed or tactile code) and comprehend (make meaning of) literary and informational texts independently and proficiently. Assessment administration adjustments that would change this expectation are not accommodations. Any *modification* of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.

**Table 6: Computer-based and Paper-based Unique Accommodations** 

	Accommodation	Computer-based Paper-based*	
nique	Spoken Response: Human Scribe for ELA/CSLA Constructed Response	Spoken Response – UA: G Constructed Response	
Š	Calculator on Non-calculator Section for Math	UA: Guidance on Calculator on N	Ion-calculator Sections for Math

<sup>\*</sup>PBT is an accommodation available only to qualifying students with a documented disability that prevents them from accessing the online assessment as identified on their IEP or 504 Plan.

## Spoken Response: Human Scribe for ELA and CSLA Constructed Response

The following information applies to ELA assessments, including CSLA. For math, science, and social studies, refer to 6.1.3 Response Accommodations, as a UAR is not required for those content areas.

Human Scribe for ELA or CSLA Constructed Response must be documented on the IEP or 504 plan with a direct connection to the student's disability and inability to access the test. The scribe accommodation is only available to students who meet the unique accommodation criteria and are approved by the CDE Assessment Division. Scribing for ELA is only in English; scribing for CSLA is only in Spanish. Refer to the guidance documentation on the <a href="State Assessment Accommodations Training">State Assessment</a> Accommodations Training page for more information about the UAR process.

This unique accommodation is available to a limited number of students with a neurological or orthopedic impairment that significantly limits or prevents the student's motor process of *writing*. Students must have this accommodation on their IEP or 504 plan for instructional and assessment purposes and use the accommodation regularly during classroom instruction, classroom assessment, and benchmark assessment. Only a very limited number of students who meet specific criteria may use this accommodation on the ELA or CSLA assessment and receive a valid score.

The student must be assessed in a separate, one-on-one testing environment.

The scribe must record student responses verbatim into the answer field in TestNav. The scribe may not prompt or question the student or correct a student's responses. The scribe may not add, use, or prompt the use of proper mechanics unless the mechanics are initiated and dictated by the student. The scribe may ask the student to restate words, as needed. The scribe may use proper spelling. Scribes must be familiar with content vocabulary.

The scribe must allow the student to review the scribed response to make edits. On the paper-based test only, if requested by the student, the scribe may read the scribed response back to the student. The response must be read

in an even tone, being careful not to cue the student to errors. On the computer-based test, the scribe may not read the scribed response back to the student. The student may dictate changes or edits to the scribe, and the scribe must make those changes exactly as dictated by the student, even if a change is incorrect. All changes must be made during the testing session.

The scribe may ask, "Are you finished?" or, "Is there anything you want to add or remove?" A scribe must take care not to imply in any way that an answer is incomplete or incorrect through these questions.

The scribe may respond to procedural questions asked by the student such as, "Do I have to use the entire space to answer the question?" The scribe may indicate, "No."

Given the interaction with test materials and involvement in recording responses, it is recommended that two adults be in the testing environment. Scribes and transcribers must be proficient in reading and writing in the student's spoken language (English for ELA or Spanish for CSLA).

Refer to 6.1.6 Transcription Instructions

#### **PNP Indicator:**

- Field = Unique Accommodation
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes (Can only be set by CDE)
- Field = Accommodation Type
  - o Expected Value = IEP504 or Both
- Field = Response Accommodation for ELA Constructed Response
  - Expected Value = 02 = Scribe
  - o Expected Value = 03 = Signer

#### **Calculator on Non-calculator Sections for Math**

Calculator on non-calculator sections of math must be documented on the IEP or 504 plan and is only available to students who meet the unique accommodation criteria and are approved by CDE Assessment. Refer to guidance documentation on the <a href="State Assessment Accommodations Training">State Assessment Accommodations Training</a> page for more information about the UAR proces.

This unique accommodation is available to students with a disability that significantly limits or prevents them from *performing basic calculations*. This accommodation must appear on the IEP or 504 plan for instructional and assessment purposes. Only a very limited number of students who meet specific criteria may use this accommodation on the math assessment and receive a valid score.

Students approved for use have access to the grade-appropriate calculator provided by the school/district, which are:

- Grades 3 through 5: Four-function calculator (includes percentage function)
- Grades 6 and 7: Five-function calculator (includes square root and percentage function)
- Grade 8: Scientific

Math tools, including 100s charts, two-color chips, arithmetic tables, one-to-one counters or counting chips, square tiles, Base 10 blocks are approved at the district level. Number lines are not allowed.

#### **PNP Indicator:**

- Field = Unique Accommodation
  - Expected Value = Y = Yes (Can only be set by CDE)
- Field = Accommodation Type
  - Expected Value = IEP504 or Both
- Field = Calculation Device and/or Math Charts and/or Counters
  - Expected Value = C = Uses calculator on non-calculator sections
  - Expected Value = T = Uses math charts and/or counters on non-calculator sections
  - Expected Value = B = Uses both calculator and math charts and/or counters on non-calculator sections

# 6.1.5 Emergency Accommodations

In cases where a student needs a new accommodation immediately prior to the assessment due to unforeseen circumstances, an emergency accommodation may be appropriate. These accommodations are not identified on a student's IEP, 504, or ML plan. Cases could include students who have a recently fractured limb (e.g., fingers, hand, arm, wrist, or shoulder); whose only pair of eyeglasses has broken; or a student returning from a serious or prolonged illness or injury. If a student experiences a concussion immediately before or during assessment administration, contact Arti Sachdeva at CDE (720-316-7184).

If it is determined that a student requires an emergency accommodation on a CMAS or CoAlt assessment, complete the Emergency Accommodation Form (Appendix G). Maintain the form in the student's assessment file. Provide notification to the parent that an emergency accommodation was provided. Consult with the District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) for approval if required by the district.

For CMAS, use of an emergency accommodation is documented on a student's Personal Needs Profile (PNP) in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup>:

- Field = Emergency Accommodation
  - Expected Value = 01 = Scribe
  - Expected Value = 99 = Other (i.e., any emergency accommodation that is not a scribe)

Through the PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> user interface, this field is located on the Manage Student Tests screen. Refer to the Student Registration/Personal Needs Profile Field Definitions and File Layout document for more information about indicating emergency accommodation through the file export/import process.

## **6.1.6 Transcription Instructions**

Transcription of responses must take place in the following situations for students who use:

- Paper-based accommodations
- Computer-based accommodations and:
  - o Respond in a language other than English or Spanish
  - Use an assistive technology device that is not compatible with TestNav
  - Require use of the online assistive technology form
  - Require use of the speech-to-text and/or word prediction accommodation on a secondary device

## All transcriptions must be completed by the end of the state testing window (April 24, 2026).

- For paper-based accommodations, transcription can occur after all units are completed or after administration of each unit.
- For computer-based accommodations, transcription must occur after the administration of each test unit.

#### Qualifications

- The transcriber must be proficient in keyboarding.
- The transcriber/translator must **NOT** be related to the student.
- The transcriber must sign a CMAS and CoAlt Security Agreement from the current year.

# **Procedures for Transcribing Student Responses**

Only authorized personnel may have access to the test and student responses. **Verbatim** transcription must occur in the presence of a second school or district employee who verifies the transcription is valid. **Student work and/or answers** that are not transcribed into online test forms by the end of the window are not scored.

- 1. Transcription must take place in a private, secure environment and, whenever possible, under the SAC's supervision.
- 2. In the student's online form (TestNav), the transcriber enters the student's responses to constructed response items exactly as originally written (including all errors in grammar, mechanics, and spelling) and without embellishment and enters all marks for selected response and matching/technology enhanced items as indicated by the student.
- 3. Return all test materials and <u>used</u> scratch paper to the SAC and then the DAC. This includes any standard print, large print, and braille tests; ancillary materials; pages printed from assistive technology devices; and any other pages containing students' original or translated answers as these are secure materials.
- 4. After verifying transcription, the DAC returns the test books to Pearson with other materials.

#### **Assistive Technology**

- If the assistive technology device has the capability to print, print the student's answers for transcription.
- If the student utilized the AT form with tactile graphics/braille, a teacher who is proficient in reading braille must transcribe the student's responses into the online TestNav form as the student may record their answers directly on the adapted format book, on blank braille paper, or use a brailler or braille note-taker.

#### **Translation**

- The transcriber/translator must be proficient in reading and writing in the student's language and English.
  - o **NOTE**: **Do not** translate and transcribe responses written in Spanish as they are scored by Pearson.
- The transcriber/translator should be familiar with the content area in both English and the student's language.

## **Paper-based Accommodations**

- Standard Print and Large Print
  - Transcribe student responses indicated in the test book into the online transcription form for scoring (TestNav). Student work and/or answers not transcribed are not scored.
- Braille

 The student may record their answers directly on the adapted format book, on blank braille paper, or use a brailler or braille note-taker. A teacher who is proficient in reading braille transcribes the student's responses into the online transcription form for scoring (TestNav). Student work and/or answers not transcribed are not scored.

#### **Computer-based Accommodations**

#### Selected Response and Technology Enhanced Items

 For selected response and technology enhanced items, the student enters responses into TestNav during the test session. At the end of the test, once all selected response and technology enhanced items completed, the student is to notify the Test Administrator.

#### Constructed Response Items

- As the student encounters constructed responses, depending on the accommodation, the student uses a piece of paper, an assistive technology device, or a braille test book to respond to the questions. The student continues testing in TestNav, leaving constructed response items unanswered in TestNav.
- After each test unit is completed by the student, a trained Test Administrator transcribes the responses.
   Transcription takes place either immediately after unit completion (no student log out required) or delayed (student signs out, Test Administrator resumes), and before the state testing window closes.

#### • Final Item in Unit

 After completing the last question, the End of Unit screen appears. Students should NOT select the green "Submit Final Answers" button.



#### **Computer-based Transcription**

### **Transcribing Immediately Following the Student Completing the Test Unit**

It is strongly suggested that transcription occurs as soon as the student finishes testing and prior to the student exiting the unit. Adhere to the following steps for transcription immediately following testing:

- 1. After completing the last question in the unit, the student does NOT "Submit Final Answers" or exit the test.
- 2. The student is excused from the testing environment.
  - **Note:** If student work was recorded on a second device, print the work from the device if possible. After printing or completion of transcription, securely clear all student responses from the second device.
- 3. Using TestNav's review drop-down menu in the student's test, the transcriber navigates to each of the constructed response items.
- 4. The transcriber copies the student's marks or responses to constructed response items exactly as originally written (including all errors in grammar, mechanics, and spelling) and without embellishment.
- 5. The transcriber selects the green "Submit Final Answers" button on the End of Unit screen. The student's unit status in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> is now "Completed".
- 6. Repeat this process for subsequent units.

#### **Delayed Transcription**

If transcription does not immediately follow the student's completion of the test unit, complete the following steps. (The Test Administrator may assist students who need help exiting their test.)

- 1. The student does NOT "Submit Final Answers" but does EXIT the test unit by completing the following steps:
  - a. Direct students to notify the Test Administrator when they get to the last question or when they arrive at the End of Unit screen (after completing all questions in the unit).

- b. After the last question, select the button next to the student's name (top right corner of the screen).
- c. Choose the option "Sign out of TestNav".
- d. Select "Save and Return Later" on the Exit Test screen.
- e. The sign out confirmation screen appears. The student's unit status in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> is now "Exited".

**Note:** If student work was recorded on a second device, print the work from the device if possible. After printing or completion of transcription, securely clear all student responses from the second device.

- 2. The Test Administrator "unlocks" and "resumes" the student's test unit through the PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> Students in Sessions screen. To unlock and resume a student's test, follow these steps in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> using the Test Administrator computer:
  - a. Go to Testing > Students in Sessions.
  - b. Type the name of the student's test session in the **Session List** box.
  - c. Select the session name from the search results.
  - d. Locate the student, select the student's unit status (Exited), and select Unlock if locked.



e. Select the student's unit status again and select **Resume**.



The student's status is now "Resumed".

- f. On the student's testing device, enter the username and password from the Student Testing Ticket.
- 3. From the testing device, using the TestNav **Review** drop-down menu or navigation buttons, the transcriber navigates to each of the constructed response items.
- 4. The transcriber copies the student's marks or responses to constructed response items exactly as originally written (including all errors in grammar, mechanics, and spelling) and without embellishment.
- 5. The transcriber selects the green "Submit Final Answers" button on the End of Unit screen. The student's unit status in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> is now "Completed".
- 6. Repeat this process for subsequent units.

#### **Paper-based Transcription**

- 1. The Test Administrator "unlocks" the student's test unit through the PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> Students in Sessions screen. To unlock a student's test, follow these steps in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> using the Test Administrator computer:
  - a. Go to **Testing > Students in Sessions**.
  - b. Type the name of the student's test session in the **Session List** box.
  - c. Select the session name from the search results.
  - d. Locate the student, select the student's unit status, and select **Unlock** if locked.



Only one unit can be unlocked at once. Units must be transcribed in sequential order, starting with Unit 1.

e. On the student's testing device, enter the username and password from the Student Testing Ticket.

- 2. Using the testing device, the transcriber navigates to each item and enters:
  - a. The student's responses to constructed response items exactly as originally written (including all errors in grammar, mechanics, and spelling) and without embellishment
  - b. All marks for selected response and matching/technology enhanced items as indicated by the student.
- 3. The transcriber selects the green "Submit Final Answers" button on the End of Unit screen. The student's unit status in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> is now "Completed".
- 4. Repeat this process for subsequent units.

Only authorized personnel may have access to the test and student answers. Schools must ensure procedures are in place for secure retrieval of printed materials. Remove all student responses from any assistive technology device immediately following transcription or printing for transcription purposes. It is the DAC's responsibility to ensure this is done in a secure manner. The DAC may adapt the *Secure Data Removal* form, found in *Appendix G* of the *CMAS and CoAlt Procedures Manual*, to verify completion of this step. Make documentation available upon request by CDE.

Students may not have access to assistive technology devices that contain secure materials until all secure materials are removed from the device. Secure devices that contain secure materials with testing materials.

# 6.2 Assigning and Ordering Accessibility Features and Accommodations Before Testing

Assign special test forms and physical materials prior to testing. When accommodations and accessibility features are indicated in PAnext prior to January 30, 2026 (initial registration deadline) a separate ordering process is not needed as the appropriate physical materials are received automatically. *Table 2* identifies accessibility features and accommodations that require physical materials and/or special form assignment. If the January 30, 2026 deadline is missed, indicate the appropriate information through PAnext registrations and place an additional order, if necessary.

# 6.2.1 Assigning Computer-based Testing Accessibility Features and Accommodations

Assign special CBT forms (e.g., text-to-speech, Spanish text-to-speech, and auditory/signed presentation script for translation) prior to testing. If students requiring these accommodations or accessibility features are not assigned the correct special form, they do not have access to necessary accommodations or accessibility features during testing.

Instructions for assigning special forms through PAnext are found in *Appendix H*. Use the UI instructions to assign or update special forms one student at a time. To assign or update special forms for multiple students at once, refer to the <u>Student Registration/Personal Needs Profile (SR/PNP) Field Definitions and File Layout</u> document. (**Note**: Valid values for various fields may vary by content area.)

# 6.2.2 Ordering Accessibility Features and Accommodations Requiring Physical Materials

Assign accessibility features and accommodations requiring physical materials prior to testing: CBT and PBT auditory/signed presentation scripts, braille, standard print, and large print tests. Accommodated materials are received automatically prior to testing if indicated for students in PAnext during the initial registration window from January 12 through 30, 2026. If a new student arrives or if a student has a newly identified need after January 30, the official DAC may order additional materials through PAnext after arrival of the initial orders shipment. Inventory all materials. If there are not enough materials in the initial shipment to cover the additional need, place an additional order after updating the corresponding student test(s) SR/PNP settings in PAnext. Detailed instructions for ordering additional materials during the additional orders window are included in *Appendix H*.

Table 7: Accessibility Features and Accommodations - Ordering and Special Form Assignment

Physical Materials	Student		Ordering and Special Form Assignment
Ordering and/or	Registration/Personal	Additional Order	
Special Online	Needs Profile	Physical Materials	Additional Information
Form Assignment	Settings	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
Computer-based			This is the default test assignment
(CBT)			-
Text-to-Speech	Refer to Auditory		Confirm <b>TTS</b> assignment on the PAnext
CBT	Presentation: Text-to-		Students in Session screen
	speech (TTS)		
Spanish Text-to-	Refer to Auditory		Confirm TTS and SPA assignment on the
Speech CBT	Presentation: Text-to-		PAnext Students in Session screen
	speech (TTS)		
Spanish CBT	Refer to Spanish Form		Confirm <b>SPA</b> assignment on the PAnext
		_	Students in Session screen
CBT	Refer to	Order: CBT	Requires onsite translation into languages other
Auditory/Signed	Auditory/Signed	Auditory/Signed	than English or Spanish, or sign
Presentation –	Presentation for	Presentation Script	language/system interpretation
Translated*	Translation	for Translation	Add to the consist with Forms Consum Times and
			Add test to session with Form Group Type set
Braille PBT	Refer to <i>Braille</i>	Order: Braille Kit	to Auditory/Signed Presentation  Add test to session with Form Group Type set
Dialile PD1	Refer to bruille	Order. Draille Kit	to Transcription
Large Print PBT	Refer to Large Print	Order: Large Print	Add test to session with Form Group Type set
Large Time I Di	(18-point font)	Kit	to Transcription
Standard Print	Refer to Standard	Order: English Test	Add test to session with Form Group Type set
PBT	Print	Book	to Transcription
Spanish PBT	Refer to Spanish Form	Order: Spanish	Add test to session with Form Group Type set
		Test Book	to Transcription
PBT Auditory	Refer to Auditory	Order: PBT English	Can use with standard print or large print test
Presentation –	Presentation: PBT	Auditory	
English*	Oral Script	Presentation Script,	Add test to session with Form Group Type set
		English Test Book	to Transcription
PBT Auditory	Refer to Auditory	Order: PBT Spanish	Can use with standard print or large print test
Presentation –	Presentation: PBT	Auditory	
Spanish*	Oral Script	Presentation Script,	Add test to session with Form Group Type set
	- c	Spanish Test Book	to Transcription
PBT	Refer to	Order: PBT	Requires onsite translation into languages other
Auditory/Signed	Auditory/Signed	Auditory/Signed	than English or Spanish, or sign
Presentation –	Presentation for	Presentation Script	language/system interpretation
Translated*	Translation	for Translation,	Add test to session with Form Crown Type set
		English Test Book	Add test to session with Form Group Type set
			to <b>Transcription</b>

<sup>\*</sup>Contact CDE Assessment regarding ELA/CSLA. Any modification of the assessment is a misadministration and will result in an invalid score.

# 6.3 Accommodated Materials During Testing

Always treat all accommodated materials as secure. Like test books, keep accommodated materials in a secure location when not in use for testing. Track all movement of accommodated materials using a chain of custody document.

# 6.4 Accommodated Materials After Testing

Test Administrators must return all accommodated materials to the SAC after each testing session and after the completion of testing. The SAC must return accommodated materials to the DAC after the school completes testing. After inventorying all materials, the DAC must return secure accommodated materials to Pearson. It is imperative that all visual description documents, auditory/signed presentation scripts, and other secure accommodated materials are returned. See 5.0 After Testing Tasks for additional information regarding returning materials.