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TO THE SUPERINTENDENT ADDRESSED:

**Subject: Student Portal available soon on the Texas Assessment Management System**

This communication is to inform you that the Student Portal will be available on the Texas Assessment Management System, delivered through PearsonAccess, on November 29, 2010. The portal will provide students and parents with access to scores from the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS), including TAKS–Modified (but not including TAKS–Alt) and the Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS). Only students who participated in the TAKS October Exit Level retest will initially receive login materials. Most students will not receive login materials until after spring 2011 testing.

**Specific features of the Student Portal include**

- Viewing student assessment results over the course of a student’s academic career.
- Comparing individual student TAKS assessment results to campus, district, and state averages. (Comparisons are not available for exit level retests.)
- Examining student performance on TAKS, including individual student scale scores and objective scores.
- Examining TELPAS examinee proficiency ratings, comprehension scores, and composite score/rating.

Access to the Student Portal will be located at <http://www.TexasAssessment.com/Students>, on the *Families* tab of the Assessment Management System. From that location, students and parents can click a link that will take them to the Student Portal login page. They are also able to view a user’s guide to the Student Portal, and access additional information about the TAKS and TELPAS assessments.

The assessment data in the Student Portal is reached through a Unique Access Code and the student’s birth date as provided on the student’s most recent Confidential Student Report. Students who have lost their Confidential Student Report are instructed to contact their school to retrieve their Unique Access Code.

Once students and parents have logged in, they will be able to examine test scores in detail, as well as link to the user’s guide for the Student Portal and explanations of the test scores.

For additional information about the Assessment Management System, visit the *Resources* page on the Texas Assessment website at <http://www.TexasAssessment.com/resources>. Contact Pearson's Austin Operations Center at 800-627-0225 with any questions.