

5th and 8th grade STAAR Test

ARD Committee Can Waive Additional STAAR Tests

With the passage of HB 657 during the 85th Texas Legislative Session, an ARD committee is now required to meet before the second administration of the STAAR reading or mathematics assessment when a student receiving special education services in grade 5 or 8 fails to perform satisfactorily on the first administration.

During this meeting, the ARD committee must determine the required accelerated instruction and if the student will be promoted or retained. The bill adds that promotion must be based on the student's performance on his or her IEP goals. The student is not required to take the subsequent STAAR administrations.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Tonya Potts, Director of Special Education Hopkins County Shared Services at (903) 885-7277.