



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



**TO:** Trained Teachers Administering the CT Alternate Assessment (CTAA) and Alternate Science Assessment (CTAS)

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**SUBJECT:** 2017-18 Connecticut Alternate Science Assessment Field Test Training

This memo is being provided to you because you are registered with the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) as an individual who participated in and passed the required CSDE Alternate Assessment System training allowing you to administer the Connecticut Alternate Assessment (CTAA) and the Alternate Science assessment. As you may already be aware, we will be field testing a new Connecticut Alternate Science Test (CTAS) in Grades 5, 8, and 11 this upcoming spring 2018. If you have students who will be taking the CTAA this year and they are in Grades 5, 8, or 11, they must also take the new CTAS. If you do **NOT** have students' eligible for the alternate assessment in these grades, you can disregard this memo.

In order to administer this assessment, you will need to review information specific to the CTAS and its administration procedures. Therefore, we are providing online training to facilitate your acquisition of knowledge. To participate in this required training, follow the procedure below.

**Procedure to take the CTAS Training:**

1. If you took the **2017-2018 CSDE Alternate Assessment System Training**, you may access training through your Schoology account.
  - a. [Log in to Schoology](#)
  - b. Provide your username and password
  - c. **ONLY** review the PowerPoint in the folder labeled CT Alternate Science (CTAS)
  - d. Take the quiz for this PowerPoint (you may take it as often as needed to receive a minimum of 80%)

You will **NOT** receive notification indicating that you completed the CTAS Training, however your participation will be determined by your submitted quiz.

**OR**

2. If you did not take the **2017-2018 CSDE Alternate Assessment System Training**, you may access training through your Schoology account.
  - a. Register for the [2017-2018 CSDE Alternate Assessment System Training](#) on the SERC website
  - b. You may choose to take the entire course which includes CTAA and the new CTAS, or **ONLY** review the PowerPoint in the folder labeled CT Alternate Science (CTAS)
  - c. Take the quiz for this PowerPoint (you may take it as often as needed to receive a minimum of 80%)

You will **NOT** receive notification indicating that you completed the Alternate Assessment System Training or the CTAS Training, however your participation will be determined by your submitted quiz.

If you have any additional questions, please contact:

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