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TO: District Test Coordinators

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SUBJECT: National Center and State Collaborative (NCSC)
Pilot Phase 1 Registration Extension

On October 30, 2013, District Test Coordinators were provided an e-mail sharing information about the National Center and State Collaborative (NCSC) Pilot Phase 1 and the registration process. The October 30 e-mail and supporting documents have been posted on the Student Assessment Web page: [National Center and State Collaborative \(NCSC\) Phase 1 Pilot](#)

The NCSC assessment will be operational for eligible students identified with significant cognitive disabilities in Grades 3-8 and 11 in spring 2015. The NCSC assessment will ultimately replace the CMT/CAPT Skills Checklist for mathematics and English language arts since it is aligned to the Common Core State Standards. The NCSC pilot is an opportunity for these students and their teachers to become familiar with the new testing environment via the computer, as well as the increased rigor of the alternate assessment.

In order to facilitate the gathering of an appropriate representative sample for the NCSC Pilot, the registration deadline has been extended to **January 10, 2014**. After this date, individual student registrations will be entered and more information about this individual student process will be provided. Please find a PDF document attached to support your understanding of the NCSC Pilot.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

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