

Smarter Balanced District Test Coordinator Workshops

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) will be hosting half-day workshops on February 24 and 26, 2014, at the Institute of Technology & Business Development (ITBD) in New Britain for Smarter Balanced District Test Coordinators (DTC). Each DTC may register for the workshop along with **one** additional attendee. These workshops will provide an overview of the Smarter Balanced Field Test administration, as well as protocols to be followed prior to, during, and after testing.

There will be a morning and afternoon session each day. Each session will provide exactly the same information.

Morning Session: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (registration beginning at 8:00 a.m.)

Afternoon Session: 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. (registration beginning at 12:30 p.m.)

Register for a workshop session by using the [Measurement Incorporated Web Portal](#) between Monday, February 17 and Thursday, February 20. If you have questions related to accessing the Measurement Incorporated Web Portal, please contact the Measurement Incorporated Helpdesk at 1-866-762-1060.

Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE) Update

Due to weather-related school closings, Connecticut schools have been granted an extension for verifying student rosters in TIDE. Please verify all rosters by Friday, February 21. As a reminder, February 21 is also the deadline for uploading student accommodations for students with IEPs and 504 Plans to the [CSDE Accommodations Data Collection Web site](#).

NOTE: Universal Tools or Designated Supports for students do NOT need to be included on the TIDE rosters by this deadline. These test supports should be selected approximately two weeks before testing to ensure that students receive the most appropriate supports during testing.

Contact the **Academic Office** at 860-713-6860 or SmarterBalancedCT@ct.gov with questions regarding the Smarter Balanced Assessment System. View past [Smarter Balanced Field Test Updates](#) on the CSDE Web site.