

CELLA Communiqué #24

2008 FINAL COMMUNIQUÉ THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who participated in the 2008 CELLA Debrief Conference Calls held on June 11-12, 2008, and for completing the 2008 Administration Survey and Suggestion forms. Based on your feedback, we are implementing some changes for the 2009 CELLA test administration.

This final 2008 communiqué will outline a few key changes for 2009.

- Test Administration Window:

The CELLA testing window is Tuesday, April 14 – Friday, May 15, 2009.

In selecting the testing window, the DOE considered all the alternatives and made every attempt at minimizing overlap with FCAT and other assessments.

- Recycling/Destroying Non-Secure materials:

New procedure:

Place the following non-secure materials in a box and write *CELLA Coordinator Only* on the side of each box:

- Test administration manuals; unused labels; unused Level B, C, and D answer sheets; unused non-secure large print, and Braille materials
- Header Sheets
- Original records of CELLA required administration information
- Original Security Logs

CELLA district coordinators may ask school coordinators to hold these boxes for return at a later date. He or she may ask you to recycle or destroy these materials, except for the records of required administration information and security logs, after scores for the administration have been reported.

It's important to remember that **ONLY** the non-secure materials should be recycled or destroyed at either district or school sites. The test books, Directions for Administration & Scoring Guides, and any other secure materials **MUST** be returned to ETS.

- Changes to the Test Books:

Many of you requested we update the test book covers to include an area for the student's name as well as change the test book colors to make them easier to distinguish. For 2009, these changes could not be made, but ETS will add binder markers to the covers. Binder markers will provide a visual aide to distinguish the test books among the levels when distributing and collecting materials.

- Online instead of Paper:

Some CELLA materials will **only** be provided online via the Florida CELLA Web site at <http://www.fldoe.org/aala/cella.asp>. These CELLA materials will include but not be limited to: Informational Flyer, Interpretive Guide, Locator Test (via an alternate Web site), Administration Survey, and Comment Forms.

Look for updates for the 2009 CELLA administration beginning in September 2008.