

Testing Task Force Internal Benchmark Assessments Review Report and Recommendation

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Background:

The Testing Task Force was set up to evaluate, audit, and review internal benchmark assessments with specific, agreed upon criteria, which will meet the “verified data” definition under AB 1505. All team members were provided the opportunity to evaluate and provide feedback on criteria consisting of measures created by the team.

The Testing Task Force committee members:

Beth Sneyd, Assessment Coordinator
Heather Hardy, OCLC Co-Coordinator
Stephanie Lee, Supervising Teacher
Brenda Lasley, Supervising Teacher & Assessment ToSA
Carrie Badescu, Assessment Specialist
Carrie Talcott, Online Middle School Teacher
Christina Vert, Supervising Teacher & Assessment ToSA
Danielle Arnheiter, Supervising Teacher
Danielle Kiefner, Supervising Teacher
Erin Smith, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Holly Dong, Supervising Teacher
Jennifer Tatum, Online Middle School Teacher & Assessment ToSA
Lindsey Chalco-Paz, Scholar Success Coordinator

Platforms Evaluated:

Fastbridge by Illuminate
Let's Go Learn
iReady
STAR by Renaissance/Freckle
NWEA Map

Performance:

Once initial presentations were completed by the 5 different platforms, the TTF selected 3 to fully vet and rate using the Assessment Audit 2020-21 TTF sheet: iReady, Let's Go Learn, and STAR by Renaissance. The other two providers did not have an integrated supporting instructional tool, and we felt that was very important to supporting our scholars under MTSS.

Results: Based on the ratings by the TTF members, average scores and sums for each criteria is seen below:

	iReady		STAR		LGL	
	Average	Sum	Average	Sum	Average	Sum
Feedback, Guide Instruction, reports	22.64	249	27.8	306	23.4	260
Growth and Progress	16.73	184	21.5	237	18.4	204
Aligned to Standards	20.64	227	22.6	247	20.2	222
Accessibility	9.18	101	8.3	92	8.4	84

Pricing:

Our enrollment caps for next year will be:

LA- 1027 About 70% = 720

SD- 1303 About 70% = 915

Yolo- 800 About 70% = 560

* We typically only reach about 70% testing participation, so we asked for quotes to reflect those numbers.

Vendor	Estimated Assessment, Instruction, & PD Fees for 21/22
STAR 1year	<p>Custom Data Integration Level 4 (1,501-15,000 Subscriptions) \$0 Professional Services-Webinar & remote session \$1,050</p> <p>CCS of Los Angeles Applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Freckle ELA add-on Subject Student Subscription qty. 300 \$2,700.00 ● Freckle Math Student Subscription qty 300 \$4,500.00 ● Star 360 One-Time Fee \$1,599.00 \$(1,599.00) \$0.00 ● Star 360 Subscription qty 720 \$(417.60) \$10,094.40 <p>Platform Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Annual All Product Renaissance Platform \$750.00 <p>Professional Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 60-minute Remote Session 1 \$300.00 ● Webinar - 90 mins 1 \$450.00 ● Renaissance Smart Start Product Training (included with purchase) 1 \$0.00 <p>Compass Charter of Los Angeles Total \$(2,016.60) \$18,794.40</p>

CCS of San Diego

Applications

- Freckle ELA add-on Subject Student Subscription qty. 365 \$3,285.00
- Freckle Math Student Subscription qty 365 \$5,475.00
- Star 360 One-Time Fee \$1,599.00 **\$(1,599.00)** \$0.00
- Star 360 Subscription qty 915 **\$(530.70)** \$12,828.30

Platform Services

- Annual All Product Renaissance Platform \$750.00

Professional Services

- 60-minute Remote Session 1 \$300.00
- Webinar - 90 mins 1 \$450.00
- Renaissance Smart Start Product Training (included with purchase) 1 \$0.00

Compass Charter of San Diego Total **\$(2,129.70)** \$23,088.30

CCS of Yolo

Applications

- Freckle ELA add-on Subject Student Subscription qty. 200 \$1,800.00
- Freckle Math Student Subscription qty 200 \$3,000.00
- Star 360 One-Time Fee \$1,599.00 **\$(1,599.00)** \$0.00
- Star 360 Subscription qty 560 **\$(324.80)** \$7,851.20

Platform Services

- Annual All Product Renaissance Platform \$750.00

Professional Services

- 60-minute Remote Session 1 \$300.00
- Webinar - 90 mins 1 \$450.00
- Renaissance Smart Start Product Training (included with purchase) 1 \$0.00

Compass Charter of Yolo Total **\$(1,923.80)** \$14,151.20

Total \$70,654.00 **\$(13,570.10) = \$57,083.90 for one year**

Total \$193,618.00 **\$(23,311.93) = \$170,306.07 for three years
\$56,768.69 per year can be paid each year**

- CCS \$1050.00 x 3 = \$3150.00
- CCS of LA \$18,688.65 x 3 = \$56,065.95
- CCS of SD \$22,957.38 x 3 = \$68,872.14

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<p>Let's Go Learn 1 year</p>	<p>Comprehensive Diagnostics: qty 2500 \$17,500.00 DORA K-12 100 > students for 1 year</p> <p>Comprehensive Diagnostics: qty 2500 \$17,500.00 ADAM/DOMA Combo 100 > students for 1 year</p> <p>LGL ELA Edge Upgrades qty 750 \$17,250.00 (assumes base assessment) 100 > students for 1 year</p> <p>LGL Math Edge Upgrades qty 750 \$17,250.00 (assumes base assessment)100 > students for 1 year</p> <p>Links to Khan Academy-Math at no charge</p> <p>Virtual Training (2 Sessions) \$1,500.00 for 1 year</p> <p>Gold Level: Data Portal and Reporting \$6,000.00 Package based on 2001 to 5000 students for 1 year</p> <p>Subtotals One-time subtotal \$77,000.00</p> <p>Other Fees Data Portal - Gold Package with Federal Programs Reporting, Site-Based Graphical Reports at no cost -\$6,000.00 Classlink Integration Fee \$1,500.00</p> <p>Total \$72,500.00 for one year</p> <p>*Purchase by 5/25/21 and get 3 months for summer for free in addition to the 12 month or 36 month subscription. Cost for one year is \$71,000 (Classlink fee not included in this) Multi-year discount- 20% with 3-year subscription. Yearly fee is \$56,800 for each year, which can be paid one year at a time. No Classlink fee if subscribing for 3 years. Diagnostic Online Reading Assessment- Dyslexia Screener at no charge.</p>

iReady	<p>i-Ready</p> <p>i- Ready Assessment Math Per Student License Grades 9- 12 1 Year \$6.00</p> <p>i- Ready Math Instruction Add On Per Student License 1 Year \$24.00</p> <p>i- Ready Assessment and Personalized Instruction Math and Reading Site License 351- 500 Students 1 Year \$17,750.00</p> <p>i- Ready Assessment and Personalized Instruction Math and Reading Site License 501- 800 Students 1 Year \$20,910.00</p> <p>i- Ready Assessment and Personalized Instruction Math and Reading Site License 801- 1200 Students 1 Year \$26,800.00</p> <p>i- Ready Assessment Reading Per Student License Grades 9- 12 1 Year \$6.00</p> <p>i- Ready Reading Instruction Add On Per Student License 1 Year \$24.00</p> <p>i- Ready Subtotal: \$65,520.00</p> <p>Professional Development i- Ready Assessment and Personalized Instruction New User Package - Getting Good Data, Using Data to Plan Instruction, and Tailored Support (All sessions up to 6 hrs) \$13,500.00</p> <p>Professional Development Subtotal: \$13,500.00</p> <p>Total</p> <p>i-Ready \$65,520.00</p> <p>PD \$13,500.00</p> <p>Total \$79,020.00</p>

Recommendation:

Our final recommendation is for Compass Charter Schools to cancel our existing partnership with Istation & Edgenuity and pursue STAR by Renaissance for grades K-12 for the upcoming 2021-22 school year.

We have use of Edgenuity until 8/31/2021 and of Istation until 7/31/2021. Istation is aware of our shift, and has been exploring how to be added to the SBEs approved list, but without results.

Along with input from teachers on the Testing Task Force, STAR by Renaissance provides access to Reading, Math, Spanish, and Curriculum Based Measure (CBM) testing. In addition to the assessments, access to Accelerated Reader is included in the All-Suite package along with Freckle, the supporting instruction that is integrated with STAR which places scholars in the correct learning path based on their assessments. While we have based our quote on providing Freckle only to those scholars demonstrating a need for academic support (Tier 2 or 3), we can edit our contract to include Freckle for all K-8 scholars, if requested. To address the fact that Freckle tops out at grade 9 in math and grade 8 in science, we would refer those scholars to their content area teachers for support if they are struggling with grade-level high school content. If they are below grade level, Freckle can remediate and fill the gaps to get them back to grade level and ready for high school content.

While all three of the vendors provided similar products that offered computer-adaptive assessments with supporting instruction, we were excited about the entire STAR Suite. Accelerated Reader is a program that can motivate and monitor scholars' independent reading. STAR Spanish can be used to assess EL scholars in Spanish to compare with their English Reading assessment to determine knowledge versus fluency. The CBM testing is 1:1 testing that can screen for dyslexia or assess oral reading fluency.

Our hope in having STAR by Renaissance for all grades K-12 online is to provide a consistent, all-in-one platform that all teachers and scholars will benefit from with a more teacher-guided approach with access to a vast assortment of reporting features and top of the line curriculum. Although many teachers and families are comfortable with Istation and Edgenuity, we feel that STAR by Renaissance will provide more engagement with families as well as more oversight and academic support on behalf of the teachers to help increase state testing scores and ensure we are meeting our LCAP goals. Ultimately, this will ensure a truly personalized education with abilities to support the needs of each and every scholar.