



Media Advisory

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WANTED: Reporters to Tell the Story of the State's STAAR/EOC Exams

Members of the Media are invited to Join 5 Tarrant County Superintendents for a Rare Sit Down between 5 Top School Leaders and Local Media

WHO – You (to learn more in this crash course and serve as an informed source for your audience)
The following area superintendents:

School District	Superintendent
Birdville	Darrell G. Brown, Ph.D.
Carroll	David Faltys, Ed.D.
Grapevine-Colleyville	Robin Ryan, Ed.D.
Keller	Randy Reid, Ed.D.
Northwest	Karen G. Rue, Ed.D.

WHAT – You're invited to sit down with five of the state's top school superintendents and learn more about how the state's high-stakes testing could crush post-secondary plans for Texas graduates and how it could lead to an increase in the dropout rate.

WHEN – **2 to 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 13**

WHERE – Northwest ISD Administration Building Board Room
2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth

WHY – The STAAR (State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness) and EOC (End-of-Course) Exams could affect students' course grades, grade point average and class rank. Poor performance on one test could result in an A student not qualifying for a four-year Texas university. Poor performance on one test could also result in a student-athlete losing an athletic scholarship. Join these educators as they walk you through an explanation of STAAR/EOC and various scenarios for public school students.

NOTE – You are invited to sit at the table with the superintendents and learn more. Cameras are welcome and the superintendents will be available for on-camera interviews if time allows. Kindly RSVP to Lesley Weaver, lweaver02@nisdtx.org, 817-215-0056 or 817-846-0145 (cell).

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