



**Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC)  
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**Nevada Department of Education Regulations for Selecting Field Test Schools**

- Only 3, 4, or 5 star schools are eligible for participation based on the 2012-2013 NSPF
- At least one school from each district was chosen to participate
- Students will only take either the ELA or Math Field Test

Meeting all of the above conditions, Nevada DOE identified 45,557 students including:

- 153 Elementary Schools, 49 Middle Schools, and 32 High Schools

**Smarter Balanced Field Test Training**

SBAC will make available approximately 10 web-based training modules by the end of January 2014. These modules will include topics such as:

- Introduction to the Field Test (geared toward students)
- What is a Computer Adaptive Test (CAT)?
- Performance Tasks
- Test Administrator Training
- Administrator Interface and Student Interface
- Accommodations
- Tools for Student Use
- Technology Requirements
- TIDE User Roles

In addition to these training modules, there will be supporting manuals and user-specific checklists available in mid-February.

**Smarter Balanced Practice Tests** - <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/pilot-test/>