



CalAPA

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- Q1. Will passing scores for the CalAPA cycles stay the same through December 5, 2021?**
- A1. The Commission moved the second standard setting study to spring of 2021. As a result, the passing standards for 2020-2021 will be the same as they are for the 2019-2020 year (14, 12 and 12). The current passing score standards will remain through the 2020-2021 year, which ends June 30, 2021. (Please note that once the transition to Y3 materials, candidate submissions will be assessed by the 2020-2021 rubrics).
- Q2. Will there be changes to the CalAPA templates and rubrics for 2020-21? If so, when will updated materials be available?**
- A2. Yes, there will be changes in the CalAPA Y3 materials but those changes revolve around stronger clarity. For the rubrics, the only changes made from Year 2 (current materials) and Year 3 (2020-2021) are to clarify text or directions.
- Q3. If the videos were already done, how strict will CalAPA assessors be if names weren't redacted?**
- A3. Assessors have been trained to ignore names. Condition codes will be given if not all participants are seen in the video, or if the video has been edited. The continuous video submission is required within one video clip, but more than one video clip is allowed.
- Q4. Are Asynchronous lessons acceptable as well as synchronous lessons for CalAPA cycle 3?**
- A4. Only synchronous lessons will be accepted.
- Q5. I was wondering if the Year 3 materials for CalAPA Cycle 1 will address the fact that there will not be Smarter Balance Assessment Consortium scores for the 2019-2020 year, for those candidates to use. Do we tell them to go back to the previous data or simply we tell them to find other data?**
- A5. Guidance on data collection will be shared at the Coordinators' Meeting on June 3, 2020.
- Q6. Candidates must be affiliated with their preliminary program until they complete the program requirements. What is the definition of affiliated? taking classes? register and pay tuition to their program? Will this be an additional cost to candidates?**

- A6. Affiliation means a formal relationship between candidates and programs. Each preliminary preparation program will determine any costs associated with being affiliated.
- Q7. An employed preliminary candidate would be on a PS-waiver trying to finish the CalAPA and enrolled in a CASC program?**
- A7. Yes, that is correct.
- Q8 If a candidate completes all program requirements except the Cal APA and they DO NOT obtain an administrative position in Fall 2020 following program completion (they remain as a teacher), can they submit their completed Cal APA in the fall without officially being on a PS-VTW?**
- A8. Yes, that would be an option for that candidate.
- Q9. For the current induction candidate, is there flexibility with the requirement of 40 hours of coaching per year?**
- A9. 40 hours of coaching remains as a requirement; however, programs have the flexibility to use online and other interactive means as a way to meet this requirement.
- Q10. When will the preliminary ASC programs be asked to complete their respective document regarding COVID-19?**
- A10. There is no specified deadline for programs to compose their list of program design changes related to COVID-19. The Program Modifications document for the 2019-20 year should be completed when the current grading period concludes. The Program Modifications document for the 2020-21 year should be started and added to as the year progresses.
- Q11. Just to be clear, a candidate does not need a PS-waiver unless they have an administrative job offer?**
- A11. Yes, that is correct.
- Q12. Does a candidate need to individually apply for a PS-VTW?**
- A12. The preliminary preparation program will submit the recommendation for the PS-VTW on behalf of the candidate, in collaboration with the candidate.