Q: What manuals do I use to train my teachers?
A: You should use the STAAR Alternate 2 Nonsecure Front Manual and the STAAR Alternate 2 Educator Guide. There is also a staff training PowerPoint on the SNA website under STAAR Alternate 2 tab.

Q: Can a student take STAAR and STAAR Alt?
A: No. Significant academic difficulties are much bigger than a content. A STAAR Alt student has to have difficulties in every area that requires extensive, direct individualized instruction as well as a need for substantial supports that are neither temporary nor specific to a particular content area.

Q: Can a STAAR Alt high school student who has completed curriculum course requirements take STAAR Alt 2 if the student has never attempted the test?
A: Yes, Students who are scheduled to take STAAR Alt 2 should attempt the test at least once in every EOC tested subject in order to be considered for graduation.

Q: What does each teacher need to test the student?
A: The teacher will need a secure student book, secure manual for the book, Scoring document, and appropriate set of image cards.

Q: Can I use the same kit for several students?
A: No, The teacher will need a secure student book, secure manual for the book, Scoring document, and appropriate set of image cards for each student.

Q: Do photocopied accommodations made during the preview window need to be returned?
A: Yes, because they are secure materials and should be turned in daily to the campus TC. All photocopied materials will need to be returned to the CTC who will return to Pearson with nonscorables.

Q: Does the person making photocopies need to sign an oath.
A: If the test administrator will not make their own photocopies, yes, the copy person will need to sign an oath because they are seeing secure materials. Test administrators should remain with tests while copies are being made. If the copy machine stores memory jobs, it should be cleared after photocopying STAAR Alt material.

Q: Will we have to create test sessions?
A: No, information can be entered under testing>student test tab in Pearson Access Next (PAN).

Q: Do you need the form number from book?
A: Yes, when you enter the answers from student scoring document, there will be a drop down to choose correct form based on student book.
Q: Will there be a Submit or Save button?
A: Yes, after entering score code and accommodations and student responses, you will need to select “Save” prior to “Submit”. You must do both.

Q: Who enters student responses? Test Administrator or CTC
A: campus Choice

Q: Is “translated materials” listed on student scoring document and in system used for sign language?
A: Yes, if sign language is used, you would check yes

Q: Can image cards be laminated?
A: No image cards should not be laminated. Please remember these are secure documents and should be sent back with your nonscorables?

Q: Do image have to be used?
A: No image cards are optional.