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TSTA: Another reason STAAR testing during a pandemic is absurd

Texas State Teachers Association President Ovidia Molina released the following statement on the STAAR glitches reported today:

Here we go again. Even in normal years, the STAAR testing regime is a waste of classroom time and taxpayer dollars. During a pandemic, it is absurd to require students to take a test that doesn't count and won't accurately measure the learning loss that state officials claim it will.

Throughout the state, many students who have been learning virtually from home all school year to protect themselves and their families from COVID-19 trudged back to campuses today to take the STAAR only to encounter online glitches in its administration.

Now, many of them will have to return to campuses to try again. This is absurd, risky for the children and their families and another reason to cancel testing this year.