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- **Collecting Demographics for Research Studies**
- **Promising Practice Presentation: Remote Testing Tips from San Mateo Adult & Career Education**
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National News and Updates Webinar

March 17, 2021

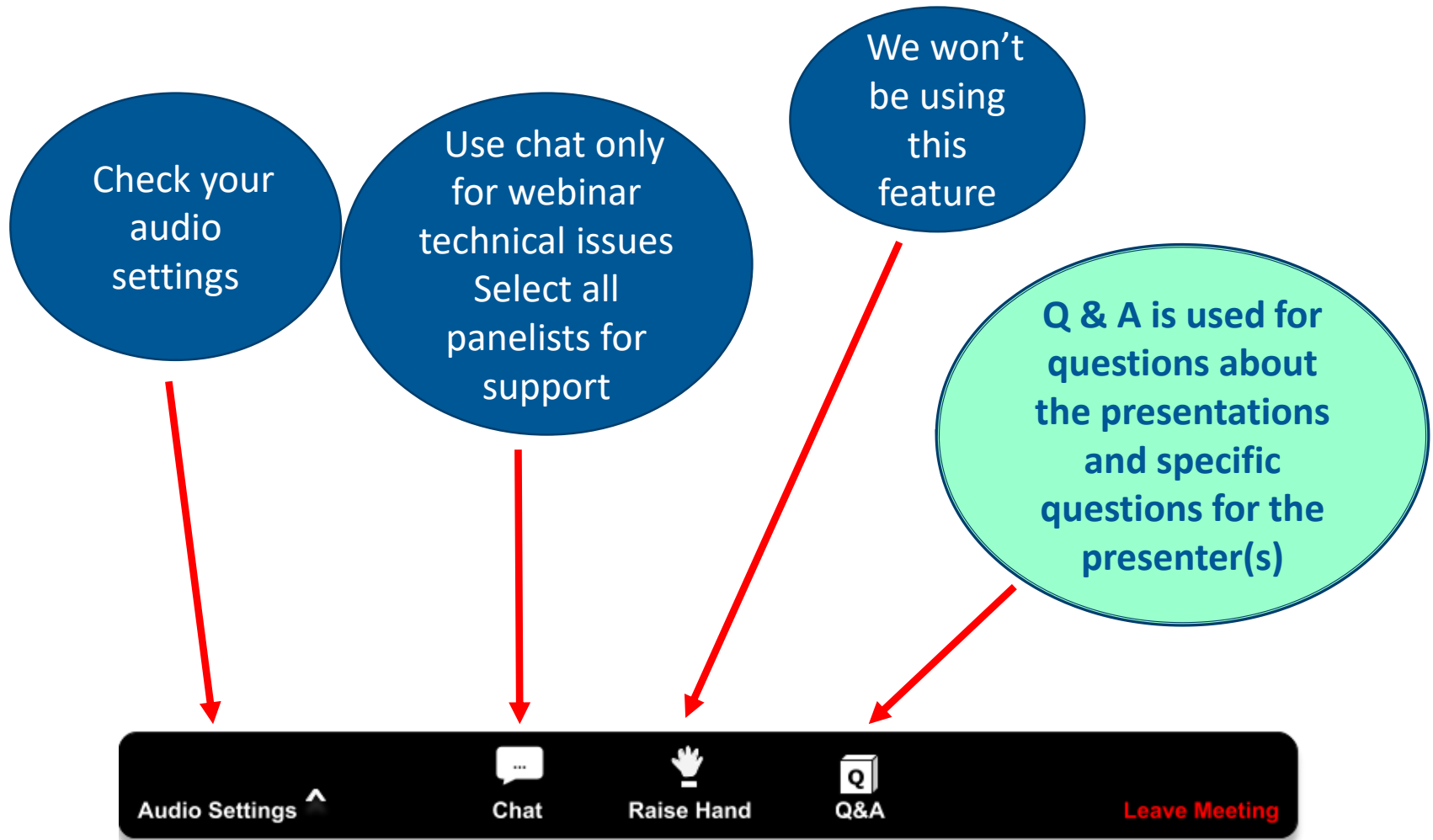
Presenters:

- Linda Taylor, VP Assessment Development, CASAS
- Jesse D'Spain, CASAS Technology Specialist
- Tia Marlowe, Student Data Analyst, San Mateo Adult & Career Education

Welcome to the March 2021 CASAS National Webinar!

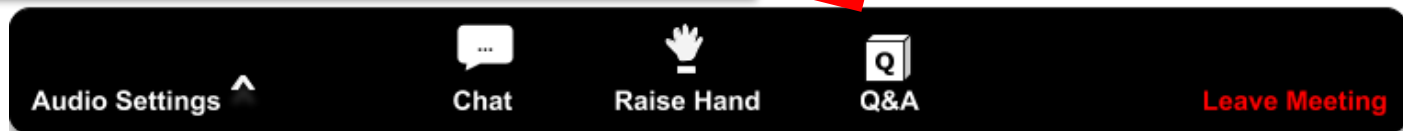
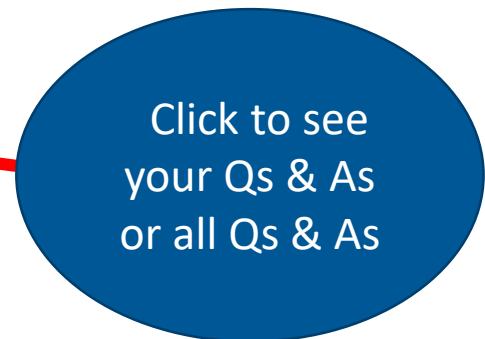
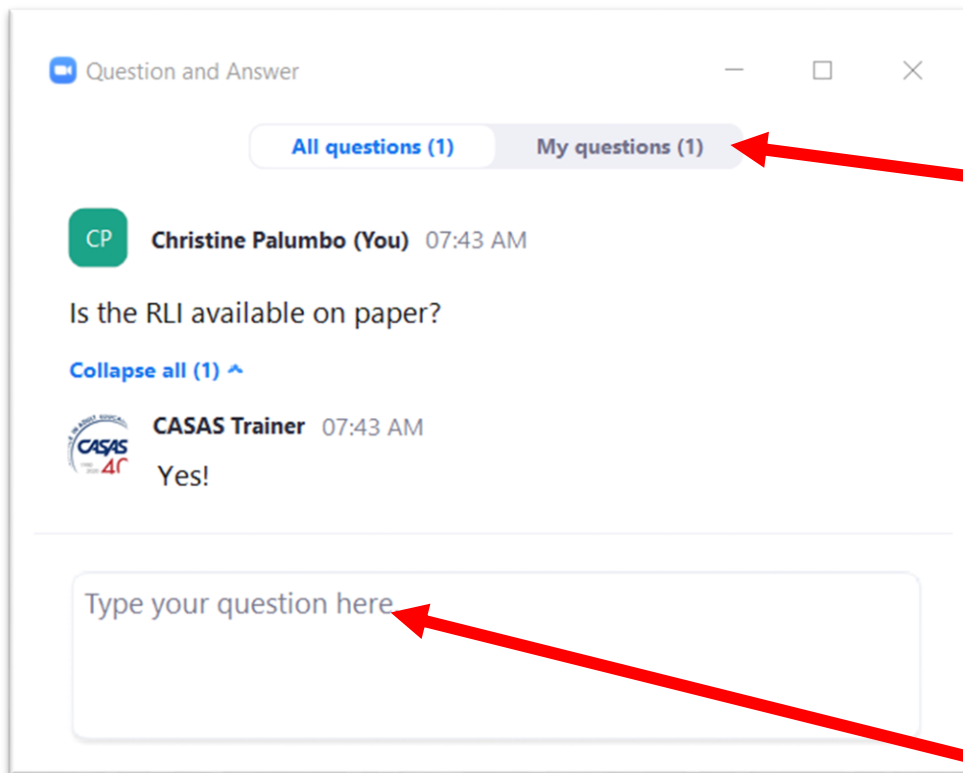
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Due to the large attendance, CASAS Staff will respond later to any unanswered questions.
- Please only post **technical difficulties about using Zoom for today's webinar** in the **Chat Box**.
- **Recording of the webinar and PPT** will be posted in the "What's New" section in the "News and Updates Webinars" page on [www.casas.org](https://www.casas.org/social-media-newsroom/webinars). (<https://www.casas.org/social-media-newsroom/webinars>)

Before we start: Webinar Tips



“Q&A”: Questions for the Presenter

- Type questions directly related to the presentation
 - New questions from the Q & A today will be added to the FAQs on the CASAS website.



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New CASAS Test Series

CASAS NRS-approved Assessments **for ABE**

➡ Reading GOALS for ABE/ASE

NRS-approved through 2025

➡ Math GOALS

NEW -- NRS-approved **through 2023**

CASAS NRS-approved Assessments **for ESL**

➡ Life and Work Reading - 80 series

Beginning Literacy - Forms 27 and 28

Reading for Language Arts - Forms 513/514

➡ Life and Work Listening - 980 series

NEW -- NRS-approved to **February 2023**
(like all other NRS-approved ESL tests)

New GOALS Series and NRS Status

For ABE/ASE

- Reading GOALS - approved through 2025
- Math GOALS for ABE/ASE - approved through 2023

For ESL

- Reading GOALS – pending
- Listening GOALS – pending

Strongly aligned with College and Career Readiness (CCR)
Standards for Adult Education and the ELP Standards for ESL.

Listening and Reading for ESL series – in development

- Will replace current Life and Work series in 2023
- Five skill levels in both Listening and Reading for ESL
- Aligned to the *English Language Proficiency Standards (ELPS) for Adult Education* and the NRS Descriptors for English Language Learners.
- Designed to measure college and career readiness

Demographics Needed for Ongoing Test Series Research Studies

We need your help!!!

These 4 data elements are essential for CASAS test research studies:

- **Gender**
- **Native Language**
- **Ethnicity**
- **Race**

A student only needs to enter this info one time.

Participate in CASAS final forms studies in Listening and Reading for ESL

- **When?** Now and ongoing
- **Who?** Adult learners in ESL/ELL programs and ABE students whose first language is not English
- **Delivery?** eTests and paper/pencil (on site and remote)
- **Methodology?** Locator/Appraisal + one or two level tests
- Student gift cards in the amount of \$5 per test completed
- Agencies receive complimentary web-testing units
- FAQs available at <https://www.casas.org/product-overviews/research-and-evaluation/field-testing-opportunities>

How do I get started with final forms field testing studies?

- Communicate with teachers/administrators at your program.
- Gather information about program participation.
- Ask your students about their interest.

For more information visit our field testing webpage:

Contact:

Fieldtesting@casas.org

Karen Burger: kburger@casas.org / 800.255.1036 ext. 177

What's New Remote Testing

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Promising Practice Presentation

Remote Testing with Multiple Test Takers – San Mateo Adult & Career Education

Tia Marlowe, Student Data Analyst



State & Federally Funded Programs

Adult Basic Education (ABE)	78
Adult Secondary Education (ASE)	271
Career Technical Education (CTE)	764
English as a Second Language (ESL/EL Civics)	3002
Subtotal	4115

Other Programs

Concurrent HS Diploma	92
Community Interest/Fee-Based	1619
Total	5826

CASAS Remote Testing Update

4 Approaches to Remote Testing

- **1:1 Remote Control**
- **1:1 or Multiple Test Takers** -- test takers on **Windows 10 PCs**
- **1:1 or Multiple Test Takers** -- test takers on **Chromebooks or iPads**
- **1:1 Oral Responses**

Each approach has unique:

- **Detailed, step-by-step, scripted directions** provided in the **CASAS Remote Testing Guidelines** document and in proctor training.
 - The *Remote Testing Guidelines* use Zoom as an example.
- Detailed technical requirements for proctors and test takers

New Directions in Remote Testing

- Some of the current remote testing approaches are **temporary** and will eventually be replaced by solutions that required more development time.
- **Possible New Directions**
 - Remote testing **up to 12 students at a time** using Approach 2 or 3 (pilot)
 - Remote testing of Listening, Reading and Math **on phones** (pilot)
 - **Integration of video conferencing into eTests -- in alpha testing**
 - Remote testing with **3rd party proctoring service**, depending on field interest
 - Please email remotetesting@casas.org if interested in this.

Reminders about Remote Testing

Remote testing with **NRS-approved tests** is only permitted using **eTests, not paper tests!**

It is **NOT permitted** to:

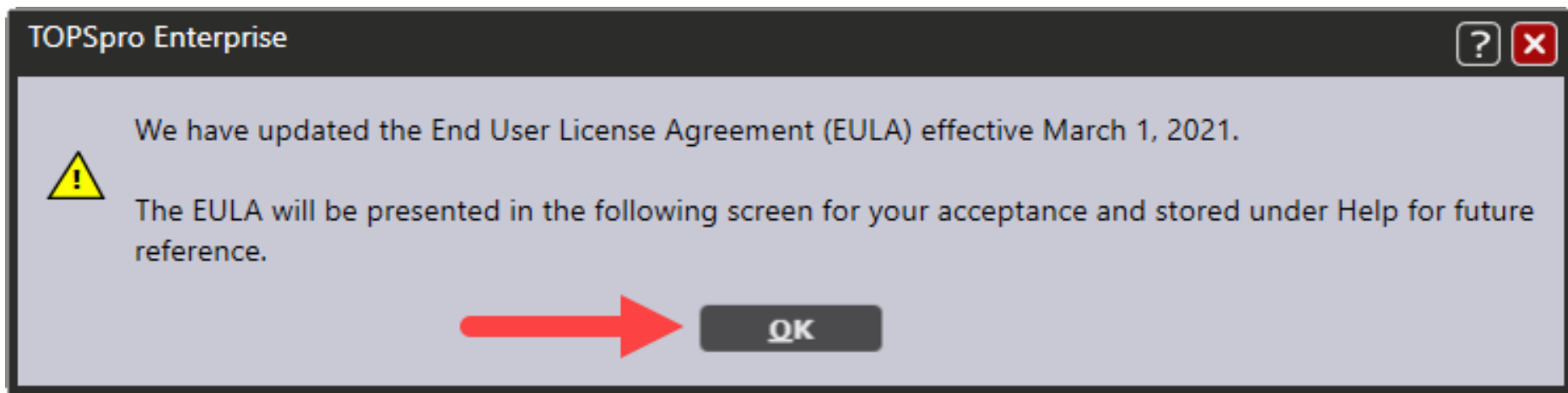
- **copy, scan, or reproduce** CASAS paper tests
- **send** NRS-approved paper tests to students
- **record** the testing session
- Test takers **may not use Zoom virtual backgrounds or filtered backgrounds** -- so that the proctor can see the room.
- **Be creative – AND follow the Guidelines** to ensure test security.

TE Update

New EULA for TE

(End User License Agreement)

When you log in to TOPSpro Enterprise:



New EULA for TE

End User License Agreement

End-User License Agreement

End-User License Agreement ("Agreement")

Last updated: March 1, 2021

This End-User License Agreement ("Agreement") is between You (both the individual installing, downloading and/or using the Program and any single legal entity on behalf of which such individual is acting) ("You" or "Your") and Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems, Inc. (hereinafter "CASAS," "Our," "Us" or "We").

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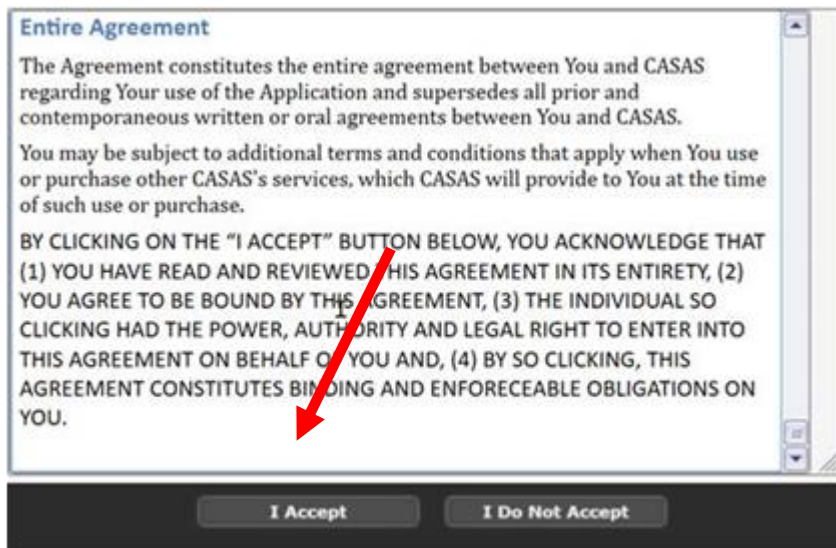
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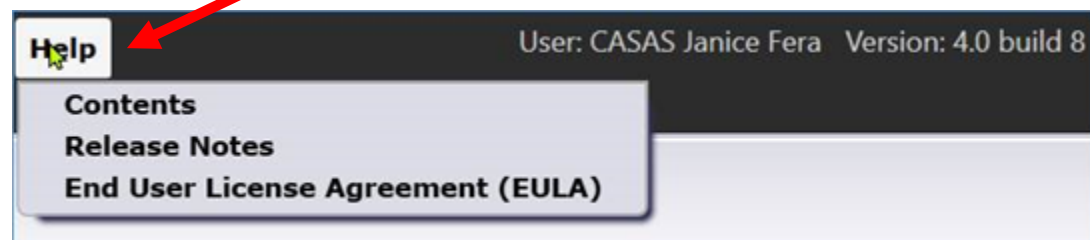
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After you click accept, the EULA is saved under Help > EULA



TE Data Transfer Wizard

Purpose:

- Save time (and money!) onboarding new students.
- Avoid re-testing students who transfer to your agency.

How?

- Agencies run a “wizard” in TE to request recent test scores and demographics of students who previously attended another agency.
- Data is transferred electronically from one agency to another using a confidential, encrypted data transfer.

TE Data Transfer Wizard

How is this new data sharing feature useful?

- A student transfers to a new school just weeks after taking a CASAS test at a previous school.
 - Avoids over-testing
 - Immediate intake
- A workforce agency refers a student to a school for instruction/remediation.
- A state decides to share student data among agencies using the wizard.

TE Data Transfer Wizard

- Help document with step-by-step instructions is available on the CASAS website:

<https://www.casas.org/docs/default-source/te-help-documentation/transferring-student-data-between-agencies.pdf>

- Go to www.casas.org > Training and Support > TOPSpro Enterprise Help > Data Exchange > **Transferring Student Data Between Agencies**
- Contact TechSupport@casas.org if you need further assistance.

Reading Level Indicator (RLI)

CASAS News

CASAS National Summer Institute

June 17-18 and June 22-23, 2021

**An Inspiring Online Adult Education
Professional Development Event**



Register now on the CASAS website!

**More than 100 training sessions, panels,
and workshops!**

CASAS National Summer Institute

June 17 and 18 - Trainings

- CASAS Implementation
- TOPSpro Enterprise and CASAS eTests
- Workforce Skills Certification

CASAS National Summer Institute

June 22 and 23 - Workshops and panels

- Workforce and adult education initiatives
- Enhancing student outcomes
- Citizenship and EL Civics
- Using data effectively to improve programs
- Secondary credentialing, including National External Diploma Program (NEDP), GED, HiSET
- Transitioning learners to post-secondary and the workplace

Live TE Basics Training – April 16



10:30 am
– 12 pm
Pacific



CASAS Live Facilitated Training

CASAS is pleased to offer live facilitated trainings for those who prefer to be trained as part of a group with a trainer.



TOPSpro Enterprise Training

- TOPSpro Enterprise (TE) Basics – Quick Start! – April 16, 2021, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (Pacific) / [Click here to register](#).
- California agencies should register here: www.caadultedtraining.org/CASAS/7687

Live Facilitated Implementation Training



CASAS eTests Implementation

- Modules 1 and 2 – April 6, 2021, 9:50 am – 1:00 pm (Pacific) / [Click here to register.](#)



Paper Test Implementation

- Modules 1 and 3 – April 27, 2021, 9:50 am – 1:00 pm (Pacific) / [Click here to register.](#)



Instructional Implementation

- Modules 1 and 4 – April 20, 2021, 9:50 am – 1:00 pm (Pacific) / [Click here to register.](#)



- Next one: April 6
Modules 1 & 2: CASAS Implementation Basics and CASAS eTests Implementation
- Sessions for April – May 2021
 - eTests
 - Paper tests
 - Instructional reports
- Certificate of Completion provided

NEW – Office Hours with CASAS Staff

- Every Friday at 11 am Pacific/2 pm Eastern
- Join us to get one-on-one support, help, suggestions and just plain old encouragement in using CASAS.
- Attending participants will drive the session with their questions and needs.
- Register for these Office Hours at:
<https://www.casas.org/training-and-support/casas-live-office-hours>

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Monday, March 22nd

CASAS Remote Testing Overview and Update

9 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. ET Jane Egüez and Linda Taylor

Establishing NRS Performance Goals

3 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. ET Jay Wright

CASAS Overview and Updates: Getting in Tune with Learners Needs

3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. ET Jane Egüez and Linda Taylor

Using Data and Assessment to Improve Agency Performance

4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. ET Jay Wright

Models for Preparing English Learners for the Workplace

4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. ET Lori Howard, Paige Endo, and Sara Walke



Tuesday, March 23rd

NEDP®: Remote Pathway to a High School Diploma

9 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. ET Margaret Kirkpatrick and Janita McNemar

California IELCE: How What We Learned Can Help English Learners in Other States 12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. ET Lori Howard

Yes We Can! Transferring Face-to-Face ESOL Strategies to Remote Instruction

3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. ET Lori Howard, Jayme Adelson-Goldstein, and Sylvia Ramirez

Give Students the Job-Seeking Edge! A CASAS WSCS Overview

4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. ET Jane Egüez and Kristine Mains



Wednesday, March 24th

Mercy Learning Center, Advancing Innovation for Adult Education award recipient, Overview

9 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. ET

Margaret Kirkpatrick, Sue Pierson,
and Jane Ferreira

Five Hallmarks of a Successful NEDP® Agency

10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. ET

Janita McNemar

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- Wednesday, April 14th
- 11 am Pacific/2 pm Eastern
- Register today!



Next Steps and Contacts

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- ➔ General CASAS Information, casas@casas.org
 - Ask any question - including what materials to order
- ➔ Order Department – orders@casas.org
 - to place an order or check the status of an order
- ➔ Tech Support – techsupport@casas.org
- ➔ Training – training@casas.org
- ➔ eTests Implementation – golive@casas.org
- ➔ Remote Testing – remotetesting@casas.org

Questions and Comments from the Field

Thank you for attending!

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