

STAAR and STAAR Modified Biology Blueprint with TEKS

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Reporting Categories	Number of Standards		Number of Questions			
			STAAR		STAAR Modified	
Reporting Category 1: Cell Structure and Function	Readiness Standards <i>B.4B, 4C, 5A, 9A</i>	4	11		9	
	Supporting Standards <i>B.4A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 9D</i>	5				
	Total	9				
Reporting Category 2: Mechanisms of Genetics	Readiness Standards <i>B.6A, 6E, 6F</i>	3	11		8	
	Supporting Standards <i>B.6B, 6C, 6D, 6G, 6H</i>	5				
	Total	8				
Reporting Category 3: Biological Evolution and Classification	Readiness Standards <i>B.7A, 7E, 8B</i>	3	10		8	
	Supporting Standards <i>B.7B, 7C, 7D, 7F, 7G, 8A, 8C</i>	7				
	Total	10				
Reporting Category 4: Biological Processes and Systems	Readiness Standards <i>B.10A, 10B</i>	2	11		9	
	Supporting Standards <i>B.9B, 9C, 10C, 11A</i>	4				
	Total	6				
Reporting Category 5: Interdependence within Environmental Systems	Readiness Standards <i>B.11D, 12A, 12C, 12F</i>	4	11		9	
	Supporting Standards <i>B.11B, 11C, 12B, 12D, 12E</i>	5				
	Total	9				
Readiness Standards	Total Number of Standards	16	60%–65%	32–35	60%–65%	26–28
Supporting Standards	Total Number of Standards	26	35%–40%	19–22	35%–40%	15–17
Total Number of Questions on Test			54 Multiple Choice		43 Multiple Choice	

Italicized TEKS were not tested on TAKS.

Adapted from TEA STAAR Blueprints and Assessed Curriculum

Scientific Process Skills is not a separate reporting category. These skills will be incorporated into at least 32% of the Modified and at least 40% of the regular test questions from reporting categories 1-5 and will be identified along with the content standards.