Good afternoon everyone.

We welcome you to our fourth engagement in a series of national stakeholder engagements on the volunteer trial testing process for the Naturalization Test Redesign.

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**USCIS owns the images**
PARTS OF THE TRIAL TEST

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- A multiple-choice civics trial test

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UPDATE ON VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS

• Approximately 170 organizations have volunteered.
• Volunteer organizations:
  o Are located in 37 states and territories.
  o Range in size from a few students to hundreds.
• We are still accepting volunteers.
• To volunteer for the trial tests, please send an email to: natzredesign22@uscis.dhs.gov by May 31, 2023.

As of May 10, 170 organizations have signed up to volunteer.
We are still accepting volunteer organizations. Please contact us soon as possible, if you are interested in volunteering.
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TRIAL TEST VOLUNTEER OPTIONS

- Organizations that teach English as a Second Language (ESL) only may volunteer for the speaking trial test only.
- Organizations that teach citizenship (ESL, civics, and history) may volunteer for both the speaking and civics trial tests.
- Organizations may only choose one way of volunteering:
  - The speaking trial test only; OR
  - Both speaking and civics trial tests.
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- The trial test platform has two separate options.
- General English as a Second Language (ESL) programs can volunteer for the speaking trial test only.
- Adult citizenship programs that cover history, civics, and ESL components can volunteer for the option with both the speaking and civics trial test.
• TESOL has been awarded the contract to facilitate the Technical Advisory Group (TAG).

• The TAG will consist of 10 external Subject Matter Experts (SMEs), selected by the contractor.
  
  o 5 SMEs from the field of Adult English as a Second Language (ESL), second language acquisition, and assessment design.

  o 5 SMEs from the field of U.S. government and civics, American history, and assessment design.

• TESOL has been awarded the TAG contract and facilitate the selection and onboarding of TAG members.

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THE ROLE OF THE TAG

The TAG will review and provide recommendations on the:

- Content, structure, and language level of the speaking and multiple-choice trial tests.
- Scoring rubrics and materials for the CBOs and trial test administrators.
- Educational resources for both the speaking and multiple-choice civics trial test.

- The TAG will review the speaking and multiple-choice trial test before and after the trial test.

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The Office of Citizenship is still seeking nonprofit organizations that are offering adult ESL classes and/or adult citizenship classes to volunteer for the trial tests. Some eligibility requirements to volunteer are listed below. Volunteer organizations must:

- Be a nonprofit with 501(c)3 status;
- Be conducting adult education classes during the trial test period; and
- Incorporate trial test educational materials provided by the Office of Citizenship in their curriculum.

Email natzredesign22@uscis.dhs.gov, by May 31, 2023, if you are interested in volunteering.

- Nonprofits, Community-colleges, School Districts serving adults, Libraries, are all encouraged to express interest in volunteering
- Online classes may volunteer too. Teachers will need to incorporate the educational materials just like the in-person classes.
- Again, we are still accepting volunteer organizations, but they must email natzredesign22@uscis.dhs.gov, by May 31, 2023. .
TRIAL TEST EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES
SPEAKING TRIAL TEST

• Community-based organizations will receive trial test educational resources to use in their classes with volunteer trial test takers.

• Educational resources for the speaking trial test include:
  o Practice speaking test prompts.
  o Practice speaking test images on each topic.

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• Educational resources for the multiple-choice civics trial test include:
  o The full bank of multiple-choice civics trial test questions and correct answer choices.
  o Civics and history handouts that outline all of the content on the multiple-choice civics trial test.
RESOURCES

- Naturalization Test Redesign Development 2022
- Federal Register Notice

Please visit the links below for additional information.

- USCIS Naturalization Test Redesign Development 2022 webpage

- Federal Register Notice: Trial Testing of Redesigned Naturalization Test for Naturalization Applications

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CLOSING REMARKS

Thank you for joining today’s session.

• To provide additional feedback on the naturalization test redesign trial testing process, or to volunteer for the trial tests, please email natzredesign22@uscis.dhs.gov, by May 31, 2023.

• For additional information on the naturalization test redesign, please visit our website at uscis.gov/citizenship.

• To provide feedback on today’s engagement, please email public.engagement@uscis.dhs.gov.

• Thank you for joining us.

• To provide additional feedback on the naturalization test redesign trial testing process or for more information or to volunteer for the trial tests, please email us at: natzredesign22@uscis.dhs.gov, by May 31.

• To provide additional feedback the engagement itself, please email us: public.engagement@uscis.dhs.gov

• As mentioned earlier, this session is part of a series of sessions on the naturalization trial testing process, so please stay tuned and register for the Public Engagement list serv to receive additional updates on future sessions.

• Again, thank you for joining us, and we appreciate your interest in this important topic.

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