

**Overview of primary evaluation evidence for the CAAVES project**

<b>Project Goals</b>	<b>Primary Evidence</b>
<p><b>Goal #1: Improve validity evidence for existing alternate assessments.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preliminary reports from each state featuring evidence about concurrent &amp; predictive relationships among states’ alternate assessments &amp; evidence about the constructs measured by each state’s alternate assessment with measures of known constructs.</li> <li>• Consultants’ reviews of the preliminary reports.</li> <li>• Final written reports of the common validity study from all seven states.</li> <li>• State summaries of how the study contributed directly to their evidence per specific USDOE Peer Reviewer Guidelines.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Goal #2: Investigate feasibility of item modification strategies for future alternate assessments.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pool of modified reading and mathematics items with a written description of the principles used to guide the development of the items.</li> <li>• Written report of the item modification cognitive lab results.</li> <li>• Preliminary reports from each state featuring evidence about the effects of item modifications on test scores and on students’ testing preferences.</li> <li>• Consultants’ reviews of the preliminary reports.</li> <li>• Final written report of results for the item modification study.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Goal #3: Actively disseminate knowledge and lessons learned.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrative project report of the common validity study and the item modification study.</li> <li>• Project websites with information on consumer “hits”</li> <li>• DVD to provide a summary of the item modification principles and student case vignettes documenting testing preferences and effects.</li> <li>• ThinkLink Learning website demonstration of item modification practices and project results.</li> <li>• Conference presentations on results of the project.</li> <li>• Vanderbilt LSI newsletter project reports.</li> <li>• Manuscripts written for submission to professional journals.</li> </ul>