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TO THE SUPERINTENDENT ADDRESSED:

Subject: 2017 Alternative Education Accountability (AEA) Campus Registration

The 2017 alternative education accountability (AEA) campus registration process for the state academic accountability system is now open. It closes at 5:00 p.m. CDT on Friday, April 7, 2017.

This notice provides the following information for districts and charters with alternative education campuses that may be eligible for AEA provisions for 2017 state accountability:

- The 2017 AEA campus registration process
- The Texas Education Agency Secure Environment (TEASE) Accountability application
- The AEA criteria for at-risk and grades 6–12 enrollment
- The 2017 Final AEA Campus List and 2017 Final AEA Charter List

The 2017 AEA Campus Registration Process

AEA campus registration is filed online using the forms found on the TEASE Accountability application.

- AECs evaluated by AEA provisions in 2016 that meet the 75 percent at-risk criterion and have at least 50 percent of their students enrolled in grades 6–12, as verified through 2016–17 PEIMS fall enrollment data, are automatically pre-registered for 2017. Please check the attached *2017 Pre-Registered AEC List* for pre-registered AECs.
- Filing a 2016–17 AEA Campus Rescission Form is required for each pre-registered AEC that does not wish to be evaluated by AEA provisions in 2017.
- Filing a 2016–17 AEA Campus Registration Form is required for each AEC that is not on the 2017 Pre-Registered AEC List that wishes to be evaluated by AEA provisions in 2017.
- Districts can monitor the approval status of registrations and/or rescissions using the AEA Campus Registration Status Report on the TEASE Accountability application.

The 2017 AEA campus registration process closes at 5:00 p.m. CDT on Friday, April 7, 2017. Rescissions and registrations received after registration closes will not be processed.

How to Access the TEASE Accountability Application

- Log onto TEASE at <u>https://seguin.tea.state.tx.us/apps/logon.asp</u>, or if you have migrated your TEASE account to the TEA Login (TEAL) secure portal, log onto https://tealprod.tea.state.tx.us/TSP/TEASecurePortal/Access/LogonServlet.
- If you have access to TEASE Accountability, you will see ACCT Accountability listed as one of the web applications. Launch ACCT Accountability.
- Superintendents who do not have access to TEASE Accountability must request a username and password through the TEASE Applications Reference page.
- You may also use this reference page to reset your TEASE password. If you are unsure whether you have TEASE access and/or have forgotten your TEASE username, email TEA Security at <u>ComputerAccess@tea.texas.gov</u>.

AEA Criteria

- At-Risk Enrollment In order to be evaluated by 2017 AEA provisions, each registered AEC must have at least 75 percent of its student population considered at risk, as verified through 2016–17 PEIMS fall enrollment data. The *Prior-Year PEIMS At-Risk Safeguard* is applied for AECs not meeting this criterion. AECs that do not have 75 percent at-risk enrollment or benefit from the safeguard are removed from the 2017 Pre-Registered AEC List.
- Grades 6–12 Enrollment In order to be evaluated by 2017 AEA provisions, each registered AEC must have at least 50 percent of its students enrolled in grades 6–12, as verified through 2016–17 PEIMS fall enrollment data. AECs that do not have 50 percent grades 6–12 enrollment are removed from the 2017 Pre-Registered AEC List.

Dropout Recovery Schools (DRS)

In accordance with TEC §39.0545(a), an AEC is designated as a DRS if at least 50 percent of the students enrolled are 17 years of age or older as of September 1, 2016.

2017 Final AEA Campus List

The 2017 Final AEA Campus List will be available in May 2017. It will contain AECs on the 2017 *Pre-Registered AEC List* and AECs that registered during the 2017 AEA registration process and that meet AEA criteria. AECs that file a rescission form will be removed from the 2017 Final AEA Campus List.

Please note that alternative education campuses (AECs) evaluated by AEA provisions are ineligible for distinction designations.

2017 Final AEA Charter List

The 2017 AEA Final Charter List will be available in May 2017. The following charter operators will be evaluated by 2017 AEA provisions:

- Charters that operate only registered AECs
- Charters that operate both non-AEA campuses and registered AECs, if at least 50
 percent of the students are enrolled at registered AECs, as verified through 2016–17
 PEIMS fall enrollment data

Charters that operate both non-AEA campuses and registered AECs with fewer than 50 percent of the students enrolled at registered AECs do not qualify for evaluation by AEA provisions.

If you have questions regarding the AEA campus registration process, please contact the Division of Performance Reporting at (512) 463-9704 or <u>performance.reporting@tea.texas.gov</u>.

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Attachment – 2017 AEA Pre-Registered Campus List