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TO THE ADMINISTRATOR ADDRESSED:

Subject: College and Career Readiness Models Planning and Designation Applications Open

Applications are now open for Early College High School (ECHS) designation renewal and Texas Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (T-STEM) planning and designation renewal. The application is live at [http://ccrm.stemcenter.utexas.edu/](http://ccrm.stemcenter.utexas.edu/) and closes on April 13, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST).

**Application Technical Assistance**

Technical assistance webinars provide information regarding the open applications. Participation is encouraged, not required. Webinars will provide applicants with information regarding how to access and navigate the online, web-based application system. The technical assistance webinars are as follows:

**T-STEM Planning Year Webinar: Thursday, March 8, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CST**
Register at: [https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/254264651556506881](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/254264651556506881)

**ECHS and T-STEM Designation Renewal Webinar: Thursday, March 8, 2018, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. CST**
Register at: [https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7652805827093907713](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7652805827093907713)

**College and Career Readiness Models Revisions Overview**

Blueprint revisions are a part of TEA’s work to revise and unify all College and Career Readiness Models, including ECHS, T-STEM, Pathways in Technology Early College High Schools (P-TECH), and Industry Cluster Innovative Academies (ICIA). A full explanation of these changes can be found on our website at [www.tea.texas.gov/ccrm](http://www.tea.texas.gov/ccrm). Additional guidance regarding the P-TECH and ICIA planning and designation applications will be released later this spring.

Sincerely,

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