

In implementing Rider 78, school districts and open-enrollment charter schools should implement a curriculum for a high-quality prekindergarten program that:

- a) Includes the prekindergarten guidelines established by the agency;
- b) Measures the progress of students in meeting the recommended learning outcomes; and
- c) Does not use national curriculum standards developed by the Common Core State Standards Initiative.

TEA Guidance for Curriculum

A curriculum should address all of the 2015 Texas Prekindergarten Guidelines in the following domains:

- 1. health and wellness;
- 2. language and communication;
- 3. emergent literacy reading;
- 4. emergent literacy writing;
- 5. mathematics;

- 6. science;
- 7. social studies;
- 8. fine arts;
- 9. physical development and health; and
- 10. technology.

A curriculum that is on the <u>list of adopted instructional materials</u> approved by the State Board of Education, as listed below, should be used:

- > The Texas DLM Early Childhood Express
- > Opening the World of Learning: Texas Comprehensive Pre-K
- Big Day for PreK Texas Program
- HighScope Preschool Curriculum
- Frog Street Pre-K Texas System
- > Teaching Strategies System for Pre-K, Texas Edition

Tools and Resources

The Texas Education Agency's <u>Early Childhood Education Division</u> team is available to provide guidance on implementation of high-quality prekindergarten programming. The division can be contacted at earlychildhoodeducation@tea.texas.gov.