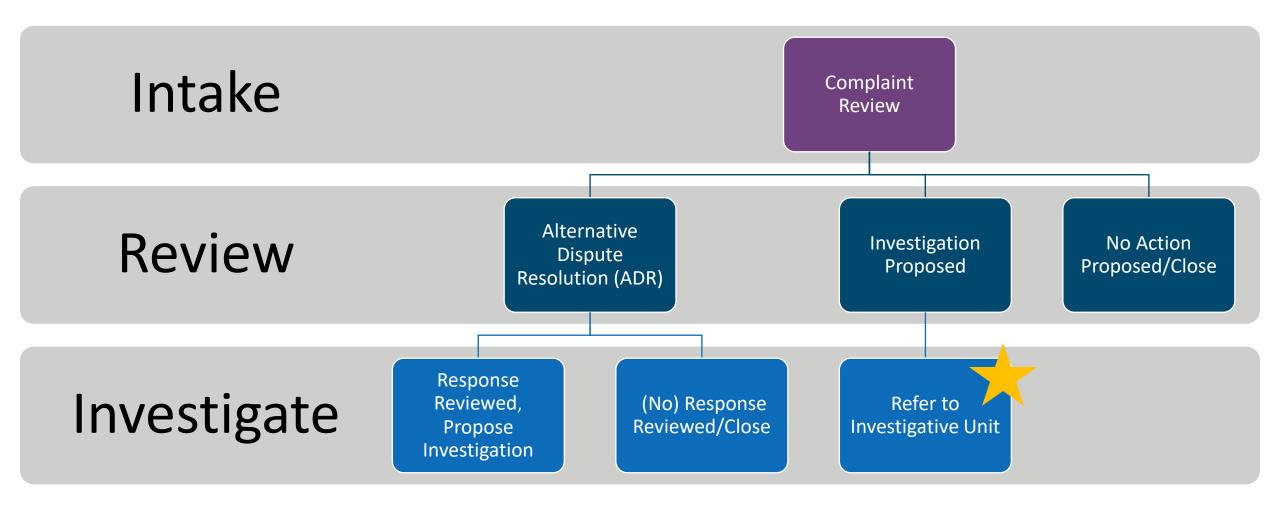


Compliance Reviews and District Improvement Plan Requirements

Objectives

- Increase your knowledge of the Compliance and Inquiries Division
- Learn about the Compliance Review Unit
- Increase your awareness about the statutory requirements of district improvement plans related to compliance reviews

Overview of Investigative Process





Purpose

CRU exists to ensure that school districts and charter schools within the state of Texas remain or come into compliance with statutory and program requirements. CRU works collaboratively with other investigative divisions within the Agency and Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to address reported concerns.

CRU investigates complaints submitted through the TEA Complaints Management Online Jot Form that are determined to be under the jurisdiction of TEA within CRU's scope. CRU reviews the complaint to determine if additional information is needed to complete a review of the allegations within the agency's authority to review.

CRU may request that an LEA provides a written response to the concern(s) raised and to provide any supporting documentation to demonstrate the LEA's compliance.

CRU will review the LEA response and determine if any further information is needed from the LEA and/or the complainant to complete its review.

Review of Allegations

CRU generally reviews common categories of complaints against public school districts and charter schools. These include but are not limited to:

- Bullying Prevention Measures Requirements
- Child Abuse Reporting and Procedure Requirements
- Complaint/Grievance Process
- Admission/Enrollment Issues
- Compliance and Nepotism and/or Conflict of Interest Requirements
- ✓Contract Procurement
- ✓ Required postings on LEA websites
- ✓ Other state law requirements

District Improvement Plan Requirements

Planning and Decision Making School District Peace Officers, School Resource Officers and Security Personnel

Discipline Management Programs; Sexual Harassment Policies Dating Violence Policies; Educational Materials and Resources

Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures Policies Addressing Sexual Abuse and Other Maltreatment of Children

Trauma-Informed Care Policy Mental Health Promotion and Intervention, Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention, and Suicide Prevention



Planning and Decision Making (Tex. Educ Code 11.251)

- Comprehensive Needs Assessment
- Performance Objectives (achievement indicators)
- Strategies Addressing Suicide Prevention, Conflict Resolution, Violence Prevention and Dyslexia Treatment Programs
- Implementation of technology (instructional and administrative programs)
- Positive behavior interventions and support
- Staff Development
- Career education to assist students

- Accelerated Education
- Implementation of School Counseling Program
- Strategies for higher education/financial aid opportunities; Informed curriculum choices;
- Resources needed to implement strategies identified
- Staff responsible for ensuring accomplishment of each strategy
- Timelines for ongoing monitoring
- Formative evaluation criteria

EDUCATION CODE CHAPTER 11. SCHOOL DISTRICTS (texas.gov)



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Statutory Requirements

- School District Peace Officers, School Resources and Security Personnel (TEC 37.081)
 - Duties of peace officers, school resource officers and security personnel

- Discipline Management Programs; Sexual Harassment Policies (TEC 37.083)
 - Discipline Management Program
 - Sexual Harassment Policy

- Dating Violence Policies; Educational Materials and Resources (TEC 37.0831)
 - Dating Violence Policy

 Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures (TEC 37.0832)

Policies and necessary procedures

Statutory Requirements (cont.)

 Trauma-Informed Care Policy (TEC 38.036)

> Policy requiring integration of trauma-informed care practices

 Policies Addressing Sexual Abuse and Other Maltreatment of Children (TEC 38.0041)

> Policies addressing sexual abuse, sex trafficking and other maltreatment of children

 Mental Health Promotion and Intervention, Substance Abuse Prevention/Intervention and Suicide Prevention (TEC 38.351)
 Practices and procedures developed

Key Consideration

- Bullying Prevention (Tex. Educ Code 37.0832)
- Trauma-Informed Care (Tex. Educ. Code 38.036)
- Sexual Abuse, Sex Trafficking, and other maltreatment of children (Tex. Educ. Code 38.0041)
- Dating Violence (Tex. Educ. Code 37.0831)
- Sexual Harassment (Tex. Educ. Code 37.083)

- Add as an Addendum
- Include Hyperlink to district policies
- Reference the policies within the respective strategies

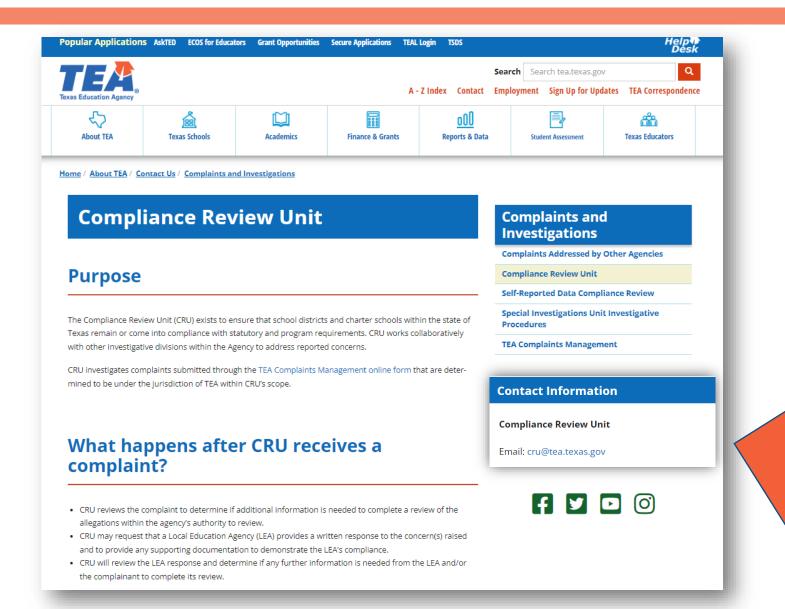




Resources and Contact Information

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TEA Compliance Review Unit Webpage



Compliance Review Unit | Texas Education Agency

TEA Complaints Management | Texas Education Agency

- Department of Compliance and Investigations General Complaint Form (jotform.com)
- <u>Complaints Management Division Webinars</u> | <u>Texas</u>
 <u>Education Agency</u>





Thank you!