

Item 7:

Request to Approve Texas Teacher Residency Preparation Route for Educator Preparation Programs

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

SUMMARY: This item provides the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) an opportunity to approve Educator Preparation Programs (EPPs) to offer the Texas Teacher Residency Preparation Route resulting in the enhanced standard certification.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: The statutory authority related to the approval of educator preparation programs are the Texas Education Code (TEC), §21.0443 and §21.044.

TEC §21.0443, requires the SBEC to set standards for approval and renewal of approval for EPPs, sets certain requirements for approval and renewal, and requires that the SBEC review each program at least every five years.

TEC §21.044 states for educator preparation (a) The board shall propose rules: (1) specifying what each educator is expected to know and be able to do, particularly with regard to students with disabilities; (2) establishing the training requirements a person must accomplish to obtain a certificate, enter an internship, or enter an induction-year program; and (3) specifying the minimum academic qualifications required for a certificate.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately upon SBEC approval.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND JUSTIFICATION: 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 228, Requirements for Educator Preparation Programs, was adopted by the SBEC in February 2024 and effective September 1, 2024. 19 TAC §228.65, Residency, establishes the minimum requirements that an educator preparation program (EPP) must comply with to be approved by the SBEC.

An EPP seeking approval to offer a Texas Teacher Residency Preparation Route must submit a completed application in a form developed by the TEA for consideration and approval by the SBEC. The application window opened November 10, 2025, and closed December 9, 2025.

Applications were reviewed and scored based on compliance with the requirements set out in 19 TAC Chapter 228, Requirements for Educator Preparation Programs, and 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation. Fourteen (14) programs met the requirements to offer the Teacher Residency Preparation Route; applicants that did not meet requirements were provided feedback for application improvement and may resubmit an application in a later application window. A post-approval site visit must be conducted at the conclusion of the first academic year in which the program reports residency completers to the TEA.

The following 14 EPPs are being recommended for SBEC approval:

ACT Rio Grande Valley (108701)
Dallas College (057501)
ESC Region 20 (015950)
Houston Christian University (101510)
Our Lady of the Lake University (015502)
Texas A&M Texarkana (019501)
Texas State University (105501)
Texas Tech University (152501)
Texas Woman's University (065102)
University of the Incarnate Word (015503)
University of North Texas (061501)
University of Texas Permian Basin (068502)
University of Texas San Antonio (015505)
West Texas A&M University (191501)

The attachment provides a summary of the EPPs recommended for SBEC approval to offer the Teacher Residency Preparation Route, including information on the certificate areas the EPP is approved to offer, the anticipated enrollment date for each EPP, the anticipated number of initial residency candidates, and the established Local Education Agencies (LEAs) partnerships.

PUBLIC AND STUDENT BENEFIT: The approval of the EPPs to offer the Teacher Residency Preparation Route and Enhanced Standard Certificate will increase the number of highly qualified educators in Texas which will positively affect student outcomes.

MOTION TO BE CONSIDERED:

Approve the recommended EPPs to offer the Texas Teacher Residency Preparation Route as presented.

STAFF MEMBER RESPONSIBLE:

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Attachment: Educator Preparation Program Applicant Summary

ATTACHMENT**Educator Preparation Program Applicant Summary**

ACT-Rio Grande (108701)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bilingual Education Supplemental - Spanish (Grades NA) Core Subjects with STR (Grades 4-8) Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) English Language Arts and Reading with STR (Grades 4-8) English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies with STR (Grades 4-8) English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades NA) Mathematics (Grades 4-8) Mathematics (Grades 7-12) Physical Education (Grades EC-12) Science (Grades 4-8) Science (Grades 7-12) Social Studies (Grades 4-8) Social Studies (Grades 7-12) Special Education (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	10-12
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD
Dallas College (057501)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EC-3
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	50
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Richardson ISD Uplift Charter ISD Lancaster ISD Garland ISD Dallas ISD Trinity Basin Prep Leadership Prep- Frisco Golden Rule Charter
ESC Region 20 (015950)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Art (Grades EC-12) Bilingual Education Supplemental - Spanish (Grades NA) Core Subjects with STR (Grades 4-8) Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) English Language Arts and Reading with STR (Grades 4-8) English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades NA) Languages Other Than English - Spanish (Grades EC-12) Life Science (Grades 7-12)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathematics (Grades 4-8) • Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Mathematics/Science (Grades 4-8) • Music (Grades EC-12) • Physical Education (Grades EC-12) • Science (Grades 4-8) • Science (Grades 7-12) • Social Studies (Grades 4-8) • Social Studies (Grades 7-12) • Special Education (Grades EC-12) • Theatre (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	1-5
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dilley Independent School District
Houston Christian University (101510)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art (Grades EC-12) • Bilingual Education Supplemental – Spanish (Grades N/A) • Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) • English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) • English Language Arts and Reading with STR (Grades 4-8) • English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades N/A) • Languages Other Than English-Spanish (Grades EC-12) • Mathematics (Grades 4-8) • Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Music (Grades EC-12) • Physical Education (Grades EC-12) • Science (Grades 4-8) • Science (Grades 7-12) • Social Studies (Grades 4-8) • Social Studies (Grades 7-12) • Special Education (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	3-7
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fort Bend ISD
Our Lady of the Lake (015502)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art (Grades EC-12) • Bilingual Education Supplemental–Spanish (Grades N/A) • Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) • English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) • English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades N/A) • History (Grades 7-12) • Languages Other Than English (LOTE) – Spanish (Grades EC-12) • Life Science (Grades 7-12) • Mathematics (Grades 4-8) • Mathematics (Grades 7-12)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music (Grades EC-12) • Physical Education (Grades EC-12) • Physical Science (Grades 7-12) • Science (Grades 4-8) • Science (Grades 7-12) • Social Studies (Grades 4-8) • Social Studies (Grades 7-12) • Special Education (Grades EC-12) • Special Education Supplemental (Grades N/A)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	10-20
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • San Antonio ISD • Northside ISD • Edgewood ISD • East Central ISD • Harlandale ISD • Northeast ISD
Texas A&M Texarkana (019501)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) • Chemistry (Grades 7-12) • English Language Arts and Reading with STR (Grades 4-8) • English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) • History (Grades 7-12) • Life Sciences (Grades 7-12) • Mathematics (Grades 4-8) • Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Physical Education (Grades EC-12) • Science (Grades 4-8) • Science (Grades 7-12) • Social Studies (Grades 4-8) • Social Studies (Grades 7-12) • Special Education (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	4-8
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gilmer ISD • Linden Kildare CISD • Texarkana ISD • Rivercrest ISD • Pleasant Grove ISD • Atlanta ISD
Texas State University (105501)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemistry (Grades 7-12) • Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) • English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades N/A) • English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) • History (Grades 7-12)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Languages Other Than English - French (Grades EC-12) • Languages Other Than English - German (Grades EC-12) • Languages Other Than English - Spanish (Grades EC-12) • Life Science (Grades 7-12) • Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Physical Science (Grades 6-12) • Physics/Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Science (Grades 7-12) • Special Education (Grades EC-12) • Social Studies (Grades 7-12) • Technology Education (Grades 7-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	100-120
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Austin ISD • Bastrop ISD • Del Valle ISD • Hutto ISD • Ki Charter Lockhart ISD • Manor ISD • Pflugerville ISD • San Marcos Consolidated ISD • Round Rock ISD
Texas Tech University (152501)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources (Grades 6-12) • Art (Grades EC-12) • Bilingual Education Supplemental - Spanish (Grades NA) • Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) • Dance (Grades 6-12) • English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) • English Language Arts and Reading with STR (Grades 4-8) • English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies with STR (Grades 4-8) • English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades NA) • Family and Consumer Sciences (Grades 6-12) • Health (Grades EC-12) • History (Grades 7-12) • Hospitality, Nutrition and Food Sciences (Grades 8-12) • Human Development and Family Studies (Grades 8-12) • Journalism (Grades 7-12) • Languages Other Than English - French (Grades EC-12) • Languages Other Than English - German (Grades EC-12) • Languages Other Than English - Latin (Grades EC-12) • Languages Other Than English - Spanish (Grades EC-12) • Life Science (Grades 7-12) • Mathematics (Grades 4-8) • Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Mathematics/Science (Grades 4-8)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music (Grades EC-12) • Physical Education (Grades EC-12) • Physical Science (Grades 6-12) • Physics/Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Science (Grades 4-8) • Science (Grades 7-12) • Social Studies (Grades 4-8) • Social Studies (Grades 7-12) • Special Education (Grades EC-12) • Speech (Grades 7-12) • Technology Applications (Grades EC-12) • Theatre (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	300
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amarillo ISD • Austin ISD • Big Spring ISD • Brownfield ISD • Burleson ISD • Coahoma ISD • Comal ISD • Dallas ISD • Dallas- Uplift Academy • Fayetteville ISD • Floydada ISD • Forsan ISD • Fort Worth ISD • Fredericksburg ISD • Frenship ISD • Grand Prairie ISD • Houston ISD • Idalou ISD • La Vega ISD • Lamesa ISD • Lorena ISD • Lubbock Cooper ISD • Lubbock ISD • Marble Falls ISD • Northside ISD • O'Donnell ISD • Roosevelt ISD • Seminole ISD • Snyder ISD • Waco ISD • Yes Prep • Wylie ISD
Texas Woman's University (065102)	

Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art (Grades EC-12) • Bilingual Education Supplemental - Spanish (Grades NA) • Core Subjects with STR (Grades 4-8) • Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) • Dance (Grades 6-12) • Early Childhood (Grades PK-3) • English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) • English Language Arts and Reading with STR (Grades 4-8) • English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades NA) • Life Science (Grades 7-12) • Mathematics (Grades 4-8) • Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Music (Grades EC-12) • Physical Education (Grades EC-12) • Physical Science (Grades 6-12) • Science (Grades 4-8) • Science (Grades 7-12) • Social Studies (Grades 4-8) • Special Education (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	5-15
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denton ISD • Houston ISD • Aubrey ISD • Leander ISD
University of the Incarnate Word (015503)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art (Grades EC-12) • Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) • English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) • History (Grades 7-12) • Languages Other Than English - Spanish (Grades EC-12) • Life Science (Grades 7-12) • Mathematics (Grades 7-12) • Music (Grades EC-12) • Physical Education (Grades EC-12) • Physical Science (Grades 6-12) • Theatre Arts (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	5-10
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North East ISD • Northside ISD • San Antonio ISD • Southwest ISD
University of North Texas (061501)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bilingual Education Supplemental - Spanish (Grades NA) • Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades NA) Special Education (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	25
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Denton ISD
University of Texas Permian Basin (068502)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Art (Grades EC-12) Bilingual Education Supplemental - Spanish (Grades NA) Chemistry (Grades 7-12) Core Subjects with STR (Grades 4-8) Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) Early Childhood (Grades PK-3) English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) English Language Arts and Reading with STR (Grades 4-8) English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies with STR (Grades 4-8) English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades NA) Gifted and Talented Supplemental (Grades NA) History (Grades 7-12) Journalism (Grades 7-12) Languages Other Than English - Spanish (Grades EC-12) Life Science (Grades 7-12) Mathematics (Grades 4-8) Mathematics (Grades 7-12) Mathematics/Science (Grades 4-8) Music (Grades EC-12) Physical Education (Grades EC-12) Physical Science (Grades 6-12) Science (Grades 4-8) Science (Grades 7-12) Social Studies (Grades 4-8) Social Studies (Grades 7-12) Special Education (Grades EC-12) Special Education Supplemental (Grades NA) Speech (Grades 7-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	20-40
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ector County ISD Midland ISD Pecos-Barstow-Toyah ISD Andrews ISD McCamey ISD Greenwood ISD Monahans-Wickett-Pyote ISD Crane ISD Kermit ISD

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fort Stockton ISD.
University of Texas San Antonio (015505)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bilingual Education Supplemental - Spanish (Grades NA) Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) English Language Arts and Reading (Grades 7-12) English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies with STR (Grades 4-8) English as a Second Language Supplemental (Grades NA) History (Grades 7-12) Physical Education (Grades EC-12) Social Studies (Grades 7-12) Special Education (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	95-100
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Somerset ISD Harlandale ISD San Antonio ISD Edgewood ISD Northside ISD Northeast ISD
West Texas A&M University (191501)	
Certifications Requested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources (Grades 6-12) Art (Grades EC-12) Core Subjects with STR (Grades 4-8) Core Subjects with STR (Grades EC-6) English Language Arts and Reading with STR (Grades 4-8) Languages Other Than English - Spanish (Grades EC-12) Mathematics (Grades 4-8) Mathematics/Science (Grades 4-8) Music (Grades EC-12) Physical Education (Grades EC-12) Science (Grades 4-8) Social Studies (Grades 4-8) Special Education (Grades EC-12) Theatre (Grades EC-12)
Anticipated Enrollment Date	Fall 2025
Anticipated Number of Initial Residency Candidates	20
LEA Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dumas ISD Canyon ISD