



Cycle 1 Group 2

Dates: January 2020-March 2020

Texas Education Agency 2019–2020 CYCLICAL MONITORING REPORT

Local Education Agency (LEA) Name: Newcastle ISD

CDN: 252902

LEA Compliant ☒

Non-Compliance Identified ☐

Corrective Actions Completed N/A

INTRODUCTION

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to extend appreciation to Newcastle ISD for their efforts, attention, and time committed to the completion of the review process.

The TEA has developed a monitoring approach that reviews compliance-based indicators while also looking for best practices. In commitment to the approach, the cyclical monitoring report will provide the results of the LEA's compliance review related to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and federal and state statutes, a summary of data related to Results-Driven Accountability (RDA), State Performance Plan (SPP), and Significant Disproportionality (SD), recommend targeted technical assistance and support for LEAs related to special education, and highlight best practices of LEAs that demonstrate success.

CYCLICAL MONITORING

The TEA conducts cyclical reviews of all LEAs statewide over six years. The purpose of cyclical monitoring is to support positive outcomes for students with disabilities and to determine compliance with special education regulations.

LEAs are required to submit artifacts and/or sources of evidence for compliance and promising practices review in the following areas:

- Child Find/Evaluation/FAPE
- IEP Development
- IEP Content
- IEP Implementation
- State Assessment
- Properly Constituted ARD Committees
- Transition

2019–2020 CYCLICAL REVIEW COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

On September 13, 2019, the TEA conducted a policy review of Newcastle ISD. On March 16, 2020, the TEA conducted a comprehensive desk review of Newcastle ISD. The total number of files reviewed for the Newcastle ISD comprehensive desk review was 18. The review found overall that 18 files out of 18 files were compliant. An overview of the policy review and student file review for Newcastle ISD are organized in the chart below by indicating the number of compliant findings within the **reviewed** file submissions related to the compliance area. Itemized details of these findings are in the appendix:

Compliance Area	Policy Review (# compliant of # reviewed)	Student File Review (# compliant of # reviewed)
Child Find/Evaluation/FAPE	11 of 11	18 of 18
IEP Development	6 of 6	18 of 18
IEP Content	3 of 3	18 of 18
IEP Implementation	8 of 8	18 of 18
Properly Constituted ARD	7 of 7	18 of 18
State Assessment	5 of 5	18 of 18
Transition	4 of 4	3 of 3

DATA SUMMARY OF RESULTS-DRIVEN ACCOUNTABILITY, STATE PERFORMANCE PLAN INDICATORS, AND SIGNIFICANT DISPROPORTIONALITY

The following supplemental data may be used to support the development of the Strategic Support Plan (SSP) for continuous improvement and/or a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) if noncompliance is identified.

Year	Results-Driven Accountability (RDA) Performance Level	SPP Indicators 11, 12, 13 Compliance*	Significant Disproportionality
2019	PL 0—Meets Requirements	COMPLIANT	N/A

*Indicator 11: Child Find

Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition

Indicator 13: Secondary Transition

2019–2020 CYCLICAL REVIEW PARENT, TEACHER, ADMINISTRATOR INTERVIEWS/SURVEY

Staff and Family Surveys

Minimum size requirements not met. Results not published within this report due to the limitation of the sample size.

This survey was approved by the Texas Education Agency’s data governance board. Participation in this survey was both voluntary and anonymous. No data was collected identifying a name so that individual responses cannot be linked to any respondent. Participants were given the option to stop the survey at any time.

Strengths

Based on the results of the policy review and student file review, along with data collected from LEA staff and family surveys, the Review and Support team identified the following strengths for Newcastle ISD:

- All files reviewed indicate that a review of existing data was completed by the IEP team and other qualified professionals.
- All files reviewed indicate the least restrictive environment was determined based on the student's needs in the IEP.
- All FIEs were complete within 45 school days of the date the district received written consent for evaluation.

Considerations

Based on the results of the policy review and student file review, along with data collected from LEA staff and family surveys, the Review and Support team identified the following considerations for Newcastle ISD:

- Continue to focus on the quality and alignment of the PLAAFP, annual goals, and accommodations or modifications.

Technical Assistance

As a result of monitoring, the TEA has identified the following technical assistance resources to support Newcastle ISD engaging in **universal** support as determined by the RDA performance level data and artifacts within the compliance review:

Topic	Resource
IEP Quality	Developing High Quality IEPs – The linked module details the process of developing high-quality, individualized education programs (IEPs) for students with disabilities. The module discusses the requirements for IEPs as outlined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) with

	implications of the Supreme Court's ruling in <i>Endrew F. v. Douglas County School District</i> .
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REFERENCES

[Differentiated Monitoring and Support System](#)

[Review and Support General Supervision Monitoring Guide](#)

[State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report and Requirements](#)

[Results-Driven Accountability Reports and Data](#)

[Results-Driven Accountability District Reports](#)

[Results-Driven Accountability Manual](#)