

2022-2023 Random Validation Handbook for Title I, Part C Priority for Service

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Introduction

This Handbook is intended to assist LEAs in completing the 2022-2023 Random Validation process for the **Title I, Part C - Priority for Service** requirement.

Although this document has been prepared for use by those LEAs that are selected to participate in the 2022-2023 Random Validation, LEAs that are not selected may still find the Handbooks useful as tools for conducting a self-check, to ascertain their own compliance status and to determine where improvements may be made.

The Handbooks are available on the Federal Program Compliance Division's web page under "Division Resources."

The 2022-2023 Random Validation for the Title I, Part C program will be requesting documentation from the 2021-2022 school year to ensure TEA is provided with adequate documentation to support the selected requirement. If the LEA did not participate in the Title I, Part C program in 2021-2022, the LEA will submit documentation for the 2022-2023 school year.

Title I, Part C Random Validation Selected Requirement

ESSA Statutory	•	
Requirement	Priority for Service	
ESSA Statutory Citation and Language	[Sections 1301(2) and 1304(d)] In providing services with funds under this part (Title I, Part C), each recipient of such funds shall give priority to migratory children who have made a qualifying move within the previous 1-year period and who (1) are failing, or at most risk of failing, to meet the challenging State academic standards; or (2) have dropped out of school.	
ESSA Program-Specific Provisions & Assurances	Program-Specific Provisions and Assurance, #1 and 2, a-e In providing services with Title I, Part C, funds, LEAs shall give priority to serving Priority for Service (PFS) migratory children with MEP funds before using migrant funds to address the needs of other migratory children. PFS students are defined as migratory children who have made a qualifying move within the previous 1-year period and who are failing, or most at risk of failing, to meet the challenging state academic standards, or have dropped out of school. [Section 1304(d)] The Title I, Part C Migrant Coordinator will include a Priority for Service Action Plan as a separate section labeled or identified (e.g., "Migrant PFS Action Plan") in the District Improvement Plan. The LEA must include a PFS Action Plan that includes the following:	

	a. When, in the calendar school year, the Title I, Part C, Coordinator will provide campus principals, appropriate campus staff, and parents the Priority for Service students criteria and updated TX-NGS PFS reports.
	b. When, in the school year calendar, the district's Title I, Part C, Coordinator, MEP staff, and migrant school staff will make home and/or community visits to update parents on the academic progress of their children.
	c. How the district's Title I, Part C, Coordinator will use TX-NGS Priority for Service reports to give priority placements to these students in MEP activities.
	d. How the district's Title I, Part C, Coordinator will ensure PFS students receive priority access to instructional services, as well as social workers and community social services/agencies.
	e. What federal, state, and local programs serve Priority for Service students.
Compliance Report Program Compliance Self-Check Item	Priority for Service (1) The LEA gives service priority to migrant children who made a qualifying move within the previous 1-year period and who were failing or most at risk of failing to meet the challenging State academic standards or have dropped out of school. [Sections 1301(2), §1304(d)]

Documenting overall compliance for a program requirement may require several forms of documentation to be maintained locally and available upon request by TEA and/or an auditor. To ensure overall compliance with program requirements, LEAs should refer to the Program Guide and/or other program-related resources that reference the multiple forms of documentation required to be maintained locally. The documentation requested for submission during the random validation process may not include all forms of documentation that are required to be maintained locally.

Please include the following selected documentation referenced in the table below in order to demonstrate compliance with the program requirement described above. TEA will utilize the following table to determine if the LEA submitted sufficient documentation to support LEA compliance. LEAs that submit sufficient documentation to support LEA compliance will be assigned a "Met Requirement" status for the requirement. LEAs that submit insufficient documentation will be assigned an "Improvement Needed" status for the requirement. LEAs with an "Improvement Needed" status will be provided technical assistance by their regional education service center (ESC). These LEAs will be required to resubmit documentation for the 2022–2023 school year by September 29, 2023, to ensure the program requirements are

implemented correctly.

Type of Selected Documentation Required	Description of Acceptable Documentation (documentation requested is for the 2021-2022 school year)			
2.1	Copies of the monthly PFS Reports for the previous year without student identifiable information Reports showing "No students found" is acceptable.			
2.2	Copy of the district PFS Action Plan for the previous school year			
In addition, the following is required only for LEAs with PFS students:				
2.3	If submitting the previous school year Supplemental Program Report, redact student identifiable information and highlight the unique student number.			
2.4	Relevant documentation that shows MEP-services were provided to PFS students first in the previous school year.			

Instructions for Assembling Documentation

- 1. Assemble the requested material into one PDF file.
 - a. Ensure that the PDF file contains the required documentation as described in the 2022-2023 Title I, Part C Random Validation Handbook.
 - b. Do not submit extraneous documentation.
 - c. When compiling the PDF file for submission, please ensure that—
 - the pages are not compressed or reduced in size;
 - any landscape pages are oriented with their right-hand edge at the top;
 - the documentation pages included are numbered consecutively in the lower right corner. These page numbers, which may be hand-written if that is most convenient, should be the ones referenced in the online WorkApp Details Form.

Instructions for Submitting Documentation

WorkApp System Access

Please note that the LEA staff submitting documentation will need access to the Department of Grant Compliance and Administration WorkApp System.

Currently, the superintendent, chief financial officer, and federal program director listed in AskTED have been given access to the system. To add or change the individuals with access to the system, **someone with existing access** must request access for the new individual via the Help Form in the Federal Program Compliance Program Monitoring Random Validations WorkApp as referenced below. The additional staff to be added to the system must agree to certain security requirements.

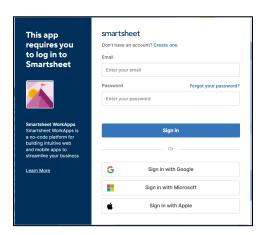
NOTE: Each LEA is only guaranteed a certain number of access accounts at this time.



Submitting Documentation

Please note that some of the screen captures referenced in the steps below will show information that is specific to a Title I, Part A program requirement. When you log in to the system, the information referenced will include the information specific to the program and requirement for which your LEA was selected to submit documentation.

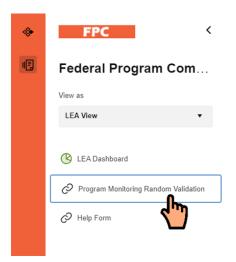
1. Login to the Department of Grant Compliance and Administration WorkApp System.



2. Click on the Federal Program Compliance Division WorkApp Tile.



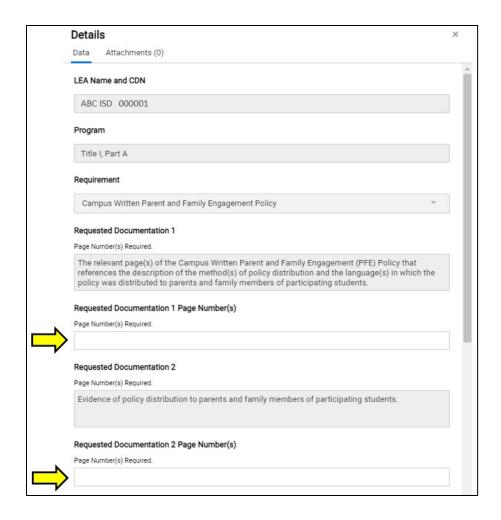
3. Click on the Program Monitoring Random Validation Link.



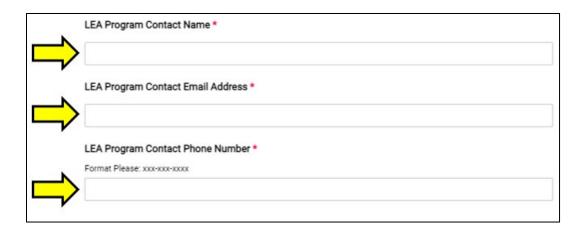
4. Click on the Random Validation Line to access the Details Form – Data & Attachments Tabs.



- 5. Complete the Details Form Data Tab.
 - a. Type the page number(s) where the requirement(s) is addressed in the LEA's documentation to be submitted in the "Requested Documentation Page Number(s)" field(s). Be as specific as possible in order to facilitate the auditor's review process. For example, if relevant items appear on pages 2, 4, and 5, please list pages 2, 4, and 5, rather than pages 1-5 in the "Requested Documentation Page Number(s)" field. These fields are required.



- b. Scroll down to access the rest of the form. Complete the remaining fields with the information for the LEA Program Contact. The LEA Program Contact should be the person that is most familiar with the documentation submitted. This is the person that TEA will contact if additional documentation is needed and/or if clarification is needed on documentation submitted. *The following fields are required.
 - Type the name of the LEA Program Contact in the "LEA Program Contact" field.
 - ii. Type the email address of the LEA Program Contact in the "LEA Program Contact Email Address" field.
 - iii. Type the phone number of the LEA Program Contact in the "LEA Program Contact Phone #" field. Please use the following format: XXX-XXX-XXXX.



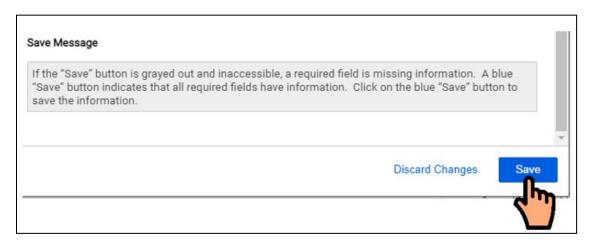
c. Add LEA Comments. This section is optional if the LEA would like to provide additional information that will be helpful for the reviewer.



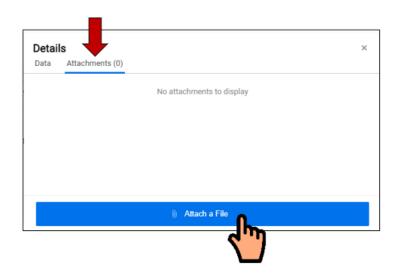
d. Select your LEA's Submission Status from the following options available: In Process (Saved data/will complete later) or Submission Complete (Data entered and documentation attached). *Selecting a status is required. If the first option remains selected after the submission due date, your submission is not considered complete, and TEA will contact you.



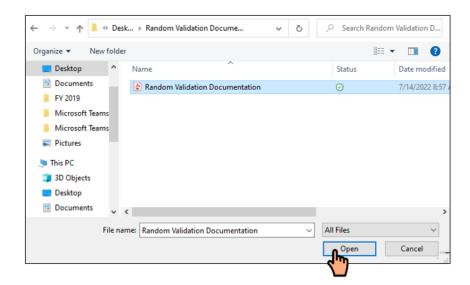
6. Click "Save" in the bottom right-hand corner of the Details Form – Data Tab. This will save the information that was typed in the details form under the data tab (documentation page numbers, LEA Contact information, and LEA Comments, if applicable). This step is required.



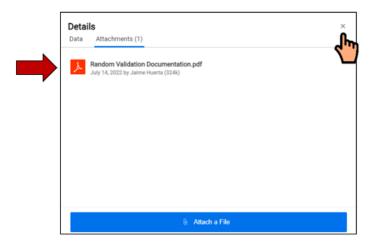
- 7. Attach the requested documentation in pdf file format. All documentation should be attached as a single file. **Attaching documentation is required.**
 - a. To attach the PDF file containing the LEA's documentation, click on the "Attachments" Tab on the Details Form; then click on the "Attach a File" button located at the bottom of the Details Form Attachments Tab.



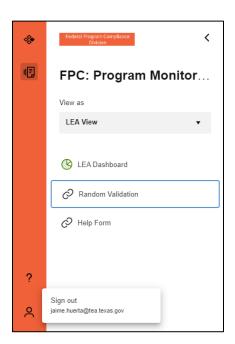
b. Browse your computer and locate the documentation file to be attached; select the file; the File Name will appear in your file browser; click on "Open;" confirm that the file is listed as an attachment in the Details Form – Attachments Tab.



c. Confirm that the document you are attaching is listed as an Attachment. Click on the "x" at the top right-hand corner to close the Details Form.



8. Sign out of the Department of Grant Compliance and Administration WorkApp System by clicking on the icon located in the bottom left-hand corner of the window and selecting "Sign out."



Phase 1 Random Validation Timeline

Task	Due Date
Federal Program Compliance (FPC) Random Validation (RV) WorkApp LEA contacts receive initial notification regarding program selection. Education Service Center (ESC) FPC RV WorkApp Contacts will be copied.	October 3, 2022
 ESC staff will contact LEA to: confirm receipt of initial notice; confirm access to FPC RV WorkApp for appropriate staff; offer technical assistance. 	Contact within 1 business day after initial notification to LEA. Technical assistance through October 17, 2022
Deadline to submit documentation via the FPC Random Validation WorkApp System.	October 17, 2022
TEA program staff complete preliminary reviews.	February 3, 2023
TEA contacts ESC regarding LEAs that receive "Improvement Needed" status for ESC review and comment before TEA notifies LEAs.	February 20, 2023 – March 3, 2023
FPC RV WorkApp LEA contacts receive notification of validation results. ESC FPC RV WorkApp Contacts will be copied.	March 14, 2023
ESC technical assistance deadline if LEA receives "Improvement Needed" status regarding any items.	September 28, 2023
ESC submits documentation in the FPC RV WorkApp System that technical assistance was offered/provided.	September 28, 2023
If the LEA receives "Improvement Needed" status on a program requirement, the LEA will be required to <u>submit documentation for 2023-2024 for the same requirement</u> . The documentation must be submitted in the FPC RV WorkApp System.	September 29, 2023