



Dyslexia Program Evaluation: The LEA Experience December 15, 2020

### "Our goal is to further support LEAs in ensuring students with dyslexia and related disorders are provided appropriate services and supports mandated by state and federal laws."



### Agenda

#### Dyslexia Framework Overview

**Dyslexia Program Evaluation** 

#### Monitoring Timelines and Resources



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### Learning Outcomes

#### Participants will

- Know what to expect during dyslexia monitoring
- Understand what happens during the dyslexia monitoring process
- Feel confident in engaging in the dyslexia monitoring activities





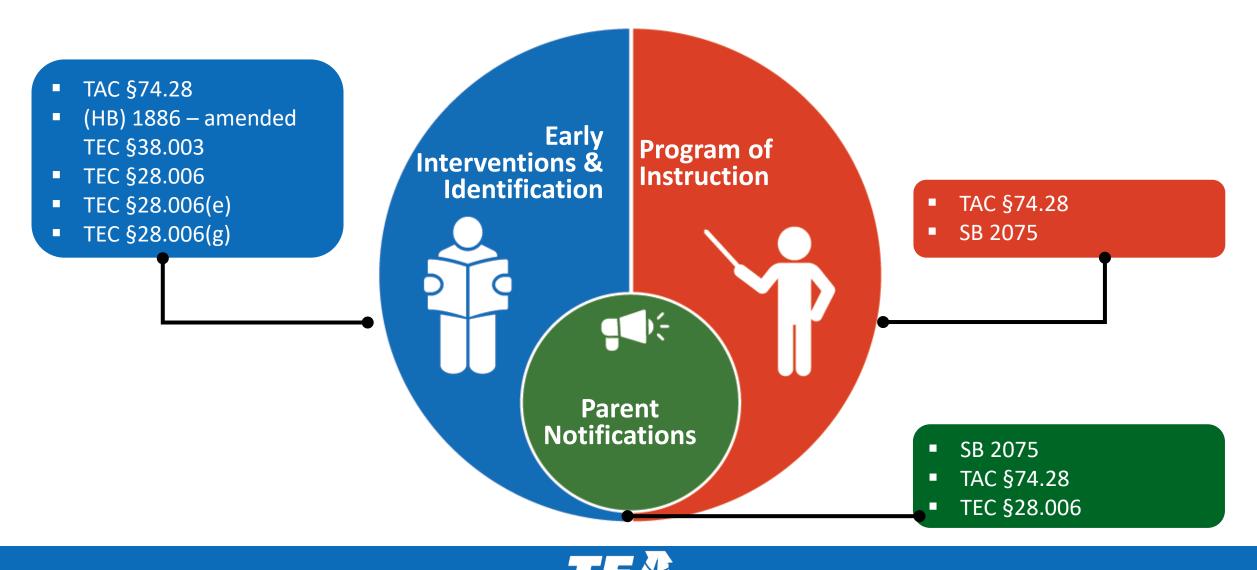
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# **Dyslexia Monitoring Framework**

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### **Dyslexia Monitoring Purpose and Framework**

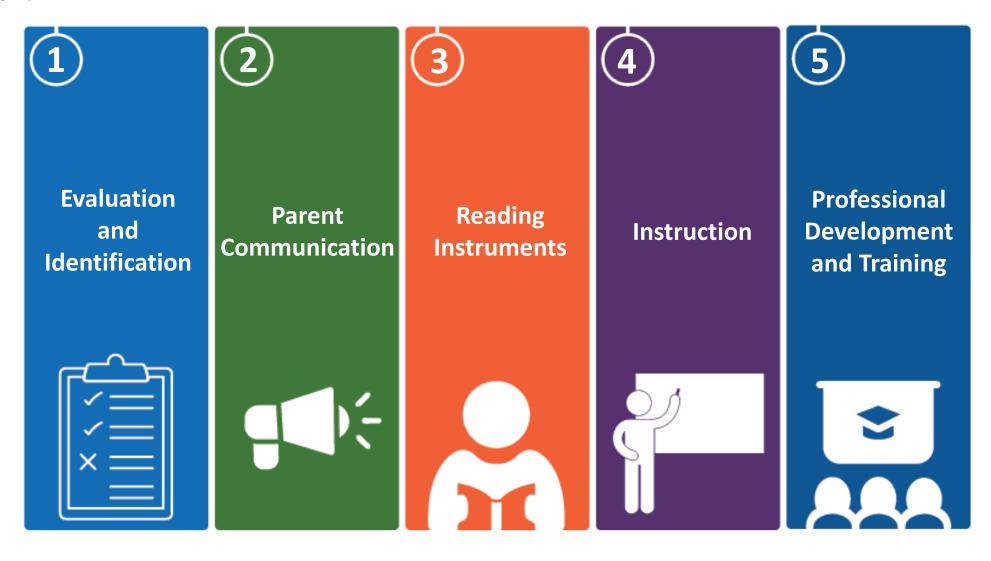


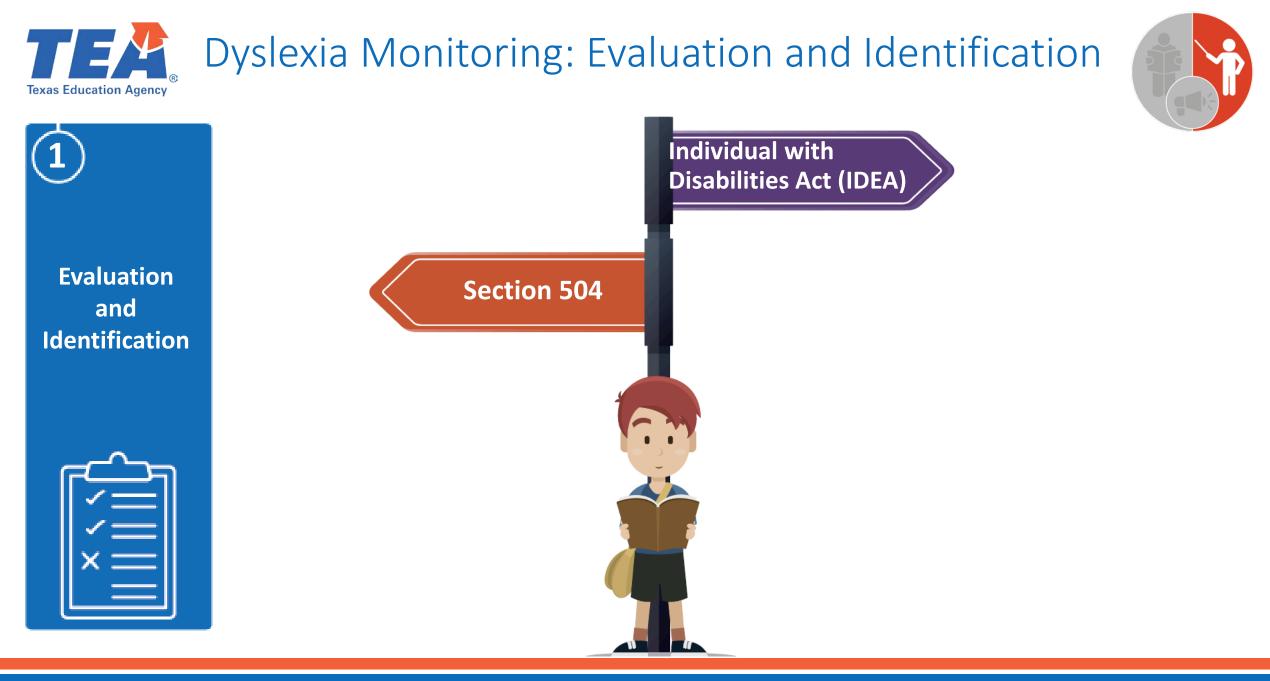
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# Dyslexia Monitoring Program Evaluation

## TEXAS Education Agency By Dyslexia Monitoring Process: Program Elements







### **Dyslexia Monitoring: Evaluation and Identification (2)**





### **Dyslexia Monitoring: Communication**

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### The LEA must:

Notify parents/guardians of **proposal to evaluate** students for dyslexia



Inform parents/guardians of their rights

#### Parent Communication



Obtain parent or guardian permission to evaluate



Provide an evaluation **report** 



Provide eligibility, services provided, and placement decisions



### **Dyslexia Monitoring: Reading Instruments**



The Dyslexia Monitoring Team will review the following items:



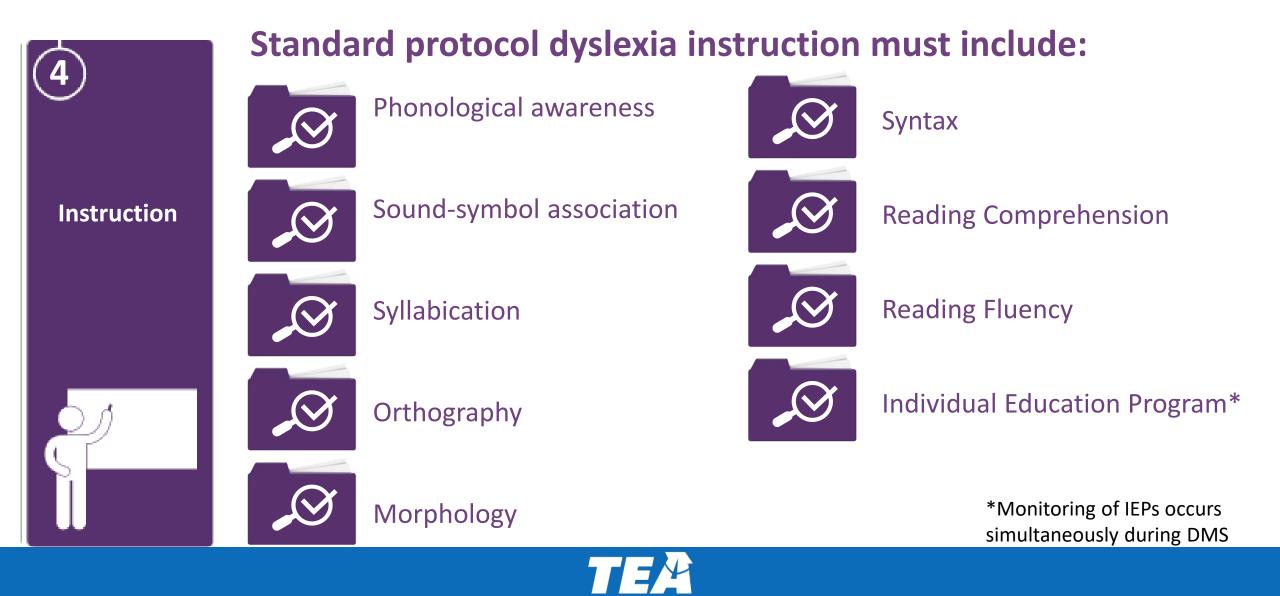
Name and results of the reading instruments administered



**Components** of the reading instruments (diagnose reading development and comprehension)



### **Dyslexia Monitoring: Instruction**



### **Dyslexia Monitoring: Professional Development**

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#### The Dyslexia Monitoring Team will review:





**Teaching certifications** of Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> grade teachers



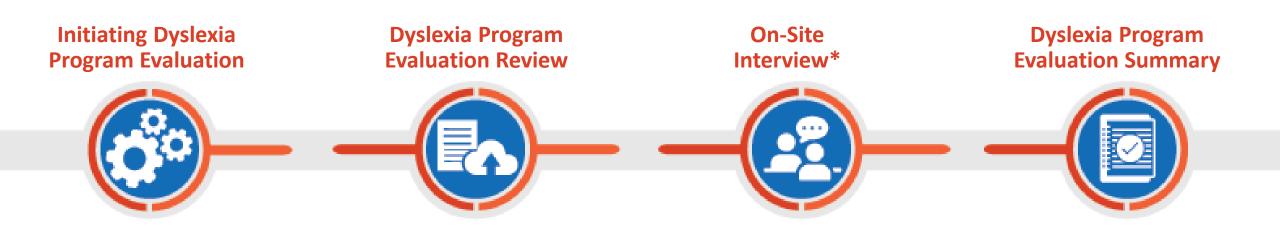
**Training roster** for teachers administering dyslexia screening instruments



**Professional development record** of teacher(s) of the dyslexia program



### **Implementation of Program Elements**



\*Virtual in 2020-2021; same process as DMS



### How Program Elements will be Monitored

Initiating Dyslexia Program Evaluation



#### TEA will...

- Notify LEA to initiate dyslexia monitoring process.
  - Conduct initial conference
  - Conduct interviews to obtain a holistic overview of the implementation of the dyslexia program within the LEA



#### LEA will...

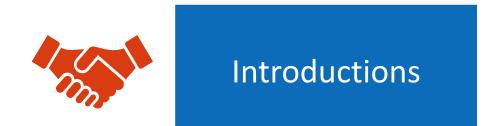
- Provide dyslexia contact and a preferred date and time for the initial conference
- Participate in the initial conference with assigned Dyslexia Specialist

#### 3 weeks prior

\*Dyslexia pre-conference will be combined with DMS pre-conference when possible



### Dyslexia Monitoring Initial Conference Agenda



Dyslexia Monitoring Process Overview







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### **Dyslexia Program Evaluation Review**

#### LEA will...

- Submit dyslexia procedures
  Gather supplemental documents
- Engage in conferencing and monitoring activities

#### TEA will...

- Review procedures and supplemental documents
- Analyze K-1 Dyslexia Screeners
- Engage in communications and offer feedback to the LEA

### Artifacts of Implementation

Areas of Implementation	Examples of Artifacts		
Dyslexia Procedures	•Copy of dyslexia program procedures		
Communications	•Copy of parent education information. (ex., letter, flier)		
Screening	<ul> <li>Name of the K-1 screener administered, include date(s) administered.</li> <li>Results of the K-1 screeners, to include the total number of students screened versus total number of students found at risk.</li> <li>Copy of notification provided to the parent regarding screening, to include notification of audiobook resource. (ex. LEA template)</li> </ul>		
Reading Instrument	<ul> <li>Name of the K-2; 7<sup>th</sup> reading instrument(s) administered.</li> <li>Results of the K-2; 7<sup>th</sup> reading instruments, to include total number of students versus the total number of students found at risk.</li> <li>Copy of notification provided to the parent regarding reading instrument, to include notification of audiobook resource. (ex. LEA template)</li> </ul>		
Evaluation and Identification	<ul> <li>Operating procedures which addresses evaluation and identification</li> <li>Copy of notification provided to parent regarding access to the Dyslexia Handbook.</li> <li>Training record, certifications or licensing of the professionals who administer dyslexia evaluations</li> </ul>		
Instruction	<ul> <li>Identify the reading program used within the dyslexia program.</li> </ul>		
Dysgraphia	•Provide the procedures used to evaluate a student for dysgraphia through Section 504.		
Professional Development	<ul> <li>Names as shown of teaching certificate of all kindergarten -1 teachers.</li> <li>Training roster for all teachers administering a screening instrument.</li> <li>Professional development record of the teacher(s) of the dyslexia program.</li> </ul>		
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LEA will submit these artifacts in Sharefile.

Instructions will be provided during initial conference.





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### Cycle II Group III Important Dates

Activity	Audience	Date
Initial Dyslexia Monitoring Conference Request	Local Education Agencies (LEAs)	March 22, 2021 – March 25, 2021
Initial Dyslexia Monitoring Conference	LEAs	March 29, 2021 – April 2, 2021
Artifacts of Implementation Submission Window	LEAs	April 5, 2021 – April 16, 2021
Cycle II Group III Dyslexia Program Evaluation Window	LEAs	April 16, 2021 – May 28, 2021



### **On-Site Interview\***

#### LEA will...

Identify interview staff
Provide arrangements for the interviews

#### TEA will...

- Conduct Interviews
  - Administrators
  - General education teachers
  - Special education teachers
  - Evaluation staff
  - ✓ Other relevant staff

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### **Dyslexia Program Evaluation Summary**

#### TEA will...

- Complete summary of dyslexia findings and notification of noncompliance (if needed)
- Distribute executive summary report to LEA dyslexia contact
- Embed dyslexia summary report into Differentiated Monitoring and Support (DMS) Cyclical Report to be distributed to the superintendent

#### LEA will...

- Review dyslexia summary report and connect with recommended supports and technical assistance (if applicable)
- If the LEA meets compliance standards, no further action is required
- If the LEA has identified noncompliance, a correction plan should be developed

TEA will send reports approximately **30-days** after the end of the monitoring cycle. The reports will provide:

- a summary report identifying the findings of the monitoring activities,
- identified best practices,
- growth areas,
- and a suggestion plan for technical assistance and support if needed.

#### **DMS Cyclical Monitoring report**

The **superintendent** will receive a cyclical report that will be embedded within the Differentiated Monitoring Support final documents.

#### **Executive Summary**

The **dyslexia director** will receive an executive summary report.



### Cycle II Group III Report Process



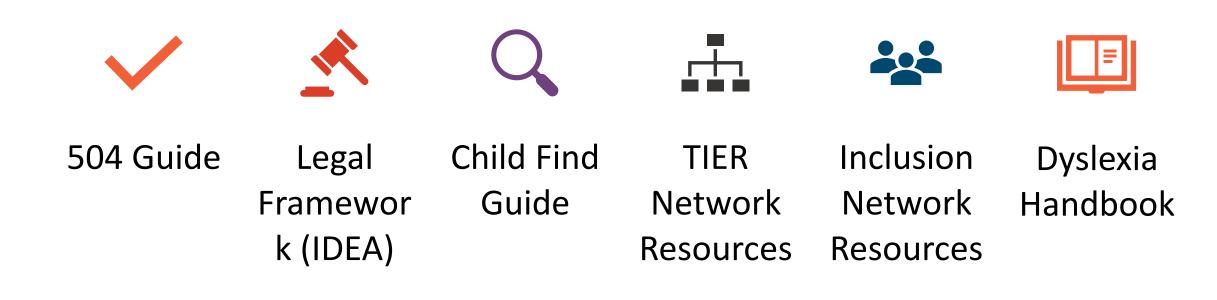


### Monitoring Outcomes and Support





### **Technical Assistance**





### **Resolving Noncompliance**

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Resolving Noncompliance



#### LEA will...

Review areas of non-compliance and develop goals to address corrective action requirements 120

Submit correction plan

Gather artifacts of implementation to evidence corrective action

Engage in progress monitoring conferences with dyslexia specialist

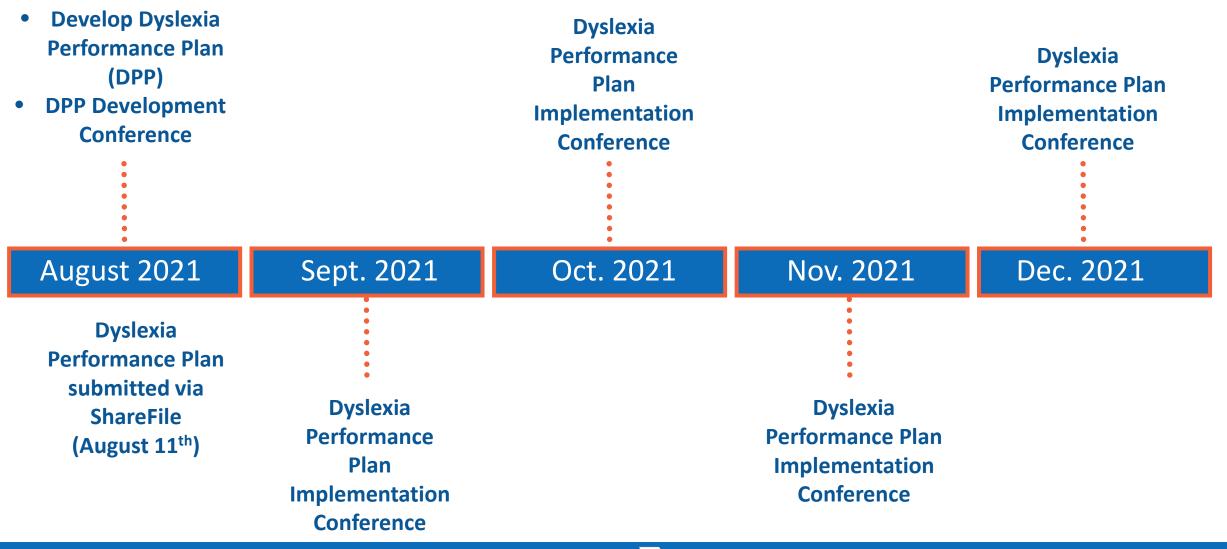
#### TEA will...

- Provide written notification of noncompliance
- Support the LEA with the development of the correction plan
- Provide recommendations to technical assistance and resources to strengthen the LEA's dyslexia program
- Conduct conferences with the LEA to evaluate progress

Provide written notification of correction of noncompliance



### Cycle II Group III Corrective Action Timeline



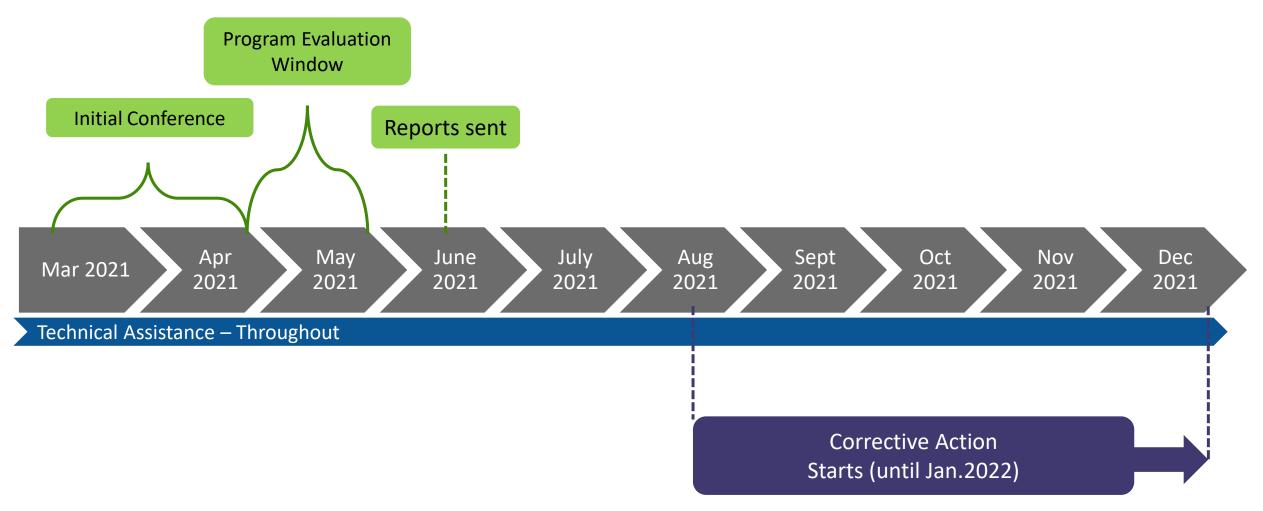


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## **Monitoring Resources & Timelines**

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### Dyslexia Program Evaluation Outlook for Cycle II Group III





### **Dyslexia Program Evaluation Resources**



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