

Cycle 1 Group 1

Dates: October 2019 – December 2019

# Texas Education Agency 2019—2020 CYCLICAL MONITORING REPORT Local Education Agency (LEA) Name: Grand Prairie ISD CDN: 057910 LEA Compliant ☑ Non-Compliance Identified □ Corrective Actions Completed: N/A

#### INTRODUCTION

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to extend appreciation to Grand Prairie 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 promising practices of LEAs that demonstrate success.

#### CYCLICAL MONITORING

The TEA conducts cyclical reviews of all local education agencies (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 August 30, 2019, the TEA conducted a policy review of Grand Prairie ISD. On December 20, 2019, the TEA conducted a comprehensive desk review of Grand Prairie ISD. The total number of files reviewed for the Grand Prairie ISD comprehensive desk review was 41. The review found overall that 41 files out of 41 files were compliant. An overview of the policy review and student file review for Grand Prairie ISD are organized in the chart below by indicating the number of compliant findings within the reviewed file submissions related to the compliance area.

Compliance Area	Policy Review (# compliant of # reviewed)	Student File Review (# compliant of # reviewed)
Child Find/Evaluation/FAPE	11 of 11	41 of 41
IEP Development	6 of 6	41 of 41
IEP Content	3 of 3	41 of 41
IEP Implementation	8 of 8	41 of 41
Properly Constituted ARD	7 of 7	41 of 41
State Assessment	5 of 5	35 of 35
Transition	4 of 4	20 of 20

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

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

Results-Driven Accountability (RDA) Year Performance Level		SPP Indicators 11, 12, 13 Compliance*	Significant Disproportionality	
2019	PL 2—Needs Assistance	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**

On December 7, 2019, the TEA Review and Support team received 11 surveys during the comprehensive desk review. Respondents to the staff and family survey included parents/guardians, general education teachers, special education teachers, evaluation staff, and administration staff (district and campus). The Review and Support surveys focused on the following review areas:

- Respondents showed that Grand Prairie is equally proud of its implementation of policies and practices, provision of individualized supports, and parental involvement.
- Community outreach methods include a wide variety of approaches. In addition to the survey options, we also received responses about the use of technology apps like Remind 101 and Class Dojo.

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 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 Grand Prairie ISD:

- Grand Prairie successfully demonstrated all seven critical areas of compliance in the desk review.
- Grand Prairie demonstrated commitment to the communication through the documentation of prior written notices and parent participation in ARD meetings.

#### **Considerations**

Based on 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 Grand Prairie ISD:

 It is recommended Grand Prairie ISD continue developing and implementing an Intensive Program of Instruction (IPI), which will support students in attaining continuous academic growth.

#### **Technical Assistance**

As a result of monitoring, the TEA has identified the following technical assistance resources to support Grand Prairie ISD engaging in **targeted** support as determined by the RDA performance level

data and artifacts within the compliance review:

Topic	Resource
Intensive Program of	Intensive Programs of Instruction - TEA Guidance
Instruction (IPI)	

#### **Findings of Noncompliance**

A finding is made when noncompliance is identified with the Review and Support report findings, SPP notification, and/or individualized education program (IEP) requirements. Noncompliance that is systemic in nature must be included in a comprehensive corrective action plan (CAP) with action steps to address each of the noncompliance findings. When noncompliance has been identified as part of this cyclical review, Grand Prairie ISD will receive formal notification of noncompliance in addition to this report.

The TEA Division of Special Education Monitoring will further advise the LEA on the corrective action process, if applicable.

The TEA follows procedures for the correction of noncompliance consistent with federal guidelines (OSEP Memo 09-02.)

Before the TEA can report that noncompliance has been corrected, it must first verify the LEA:

- Has corrected each individual case of noncompliance (Prong 1); and
- Is correctly implementing the specific regulatory requirements (i.e., subsequently achieved 100% compliance) (Prong 2).

The TEA is required to monitor the completion of a corrective action plan if any noncompliance is discovered. The corrective action plan must be designed to correct any and all areas of noncompliance as soon as possible, but in no case later than one year from the date of notification.

#### **Corrective Action Plan (CAP)**

The LEA will develop a CAP to address any items identified as noncompliance in this summary report. An approved form for the CAP can be accessed on the Review and Support website or in the resources located in Intervention, Stage, and Activity Manager (ISAM).

The LEA must submit the CAP in ISAM within 30 school days from the date of this report and formal notification of noncompliance. The TEA will review the CAP submitted by the LEA for approval. If the TEA determines that a revision(s) is necessary, the LEA will be required to revise and resubmit. The Review and Support team will contact the LEA to provide notification when the CAP has been approved.

#### **Individual Correction**

The educational agency has 60 school days from the date of this summary report to correct all

identified findings of noncompliance for individual students, unless noted otherwise in the report.

#### **LEA ACTIONS**

Timeline for SSP and/or CAP Below:

Required Actions	Submission Due Date	Completion Due Date	Support Level	Communication Schedule
SSP	2/7/2020		Targeted	90 days

For more information about cyclical monitoring and the Differentiated Monitoring and Support process, please visit the Review and Support website

<sup>\*\*</sup>LEA may have previously identified corrective actions in addition to findings in this report.

#### **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**