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Action Not Required

October 28, 2021

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Subject: Cycle 1 Review Status Clarification and Update

Dear Mr. Downing,

The purpose of this letter is to clarify your district of its status related to the special education Cycle 1 review and any findings identified as a result of data collected and reviewed during monitoring activities in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Status of Compliance

After an internal document review, TEA has determined that **Holland ISD** received a **2019-2020 Cyclical Monitoring Report** that may have contained confusing information regarding compliance standing and requirements for further action. The attached updated report corrects language on page 1, and if applicable in the Appendix.

Specifically, although individual instance(s) not meeting regulatory and/or statutory requirements during the review of LEA provided data were found, the LEA timely corrected those instance(s) prior to any letter of finding from the State being issued. Therefore, no further actions resulting from the LEA's cyclical review are required.

Should you have any questions regarding the cyclical review process and/or questions related to the updated report information, please contact the Office of Special Populations and Monitoring at (512) 463-9414.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Alexander

Interim Deputy Commissioner

Office of Special Populations and Monitoring Texas Education Agency

cc: LEA Special Education Director Executive Director, Region 12 Education Service Center

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Enclosure



January 2020 – March 2020

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY 2019-2020 CYCLICAL MONITORING REPORT HOLLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

CDN: 014905

Status: Complete – See attached letter Updated clarification 10/2021 – No corrective actions required

INTRODUCTION

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to extend appreciation to Holland 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 27, 2019, the TEA conducted a policy review of Holland ISD. On March 13, 2020, the TEA conducted a comprehensive desk review of Holland ISD. The total number of files reviewed for the

Holland ISD comprehensive desk review was 22. The review found overall that 21 files out of 22 files were compliant. An overview of the policy review and student file review for Holland 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.

	Policy Review	Student File Review	
Compliance Area	(# compliant of # reviewed)	(# compliant of # reviewed)	
Child Find/Evaluation/FAPE	11 of 11	22 of 22	
IEP Development	6 of 6	22 of 22	
IEP Content	3 of 3	22 of 22	
IEP Implementation	8 of 8	22 of 22	
Properly Constituted ARD	7 of 7	22 of 22	
State Assessment	5 of 5	21 of 22	
Transition	4 of 4	6 of 6	

DATA SUMMARY OF RESULTS-DRIVEN ACCOUNTABILITY, STATEPERFORMANCE 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.

Year	Results-Driven Accountability (RDA) Performance Level	SPP Indicators 11, 12, 13, Compliance*	Significant Disproportionality		
2019	PL 1—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 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 Holland ISD:

One area of strength for Holland ISD is that the district demonstrates that parents/guardians are engaged and participate in ARD committee meetings.

Additionally, Holland ISD demonstrated systematic execution of Properly Constituted ARDs.

Another area of strength for Holland ISD is their system of family engagement that ensures participation and inclusion of students and families in the transition process.

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 Holland ISD:

Consider additional staff training on creating PLAAFPs for consistency across the district.

Consider creating additional procedures for creating consistently clear and measurable goals and objective writing across the district

Technical Assistance

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

Торіс	Resource
PLAAFPs	IEPs: Developing High-Quality Individualized Education Programs. Texas Project First: PLAAFP Statements
Goals/Objectives	Writing Goals and Objectives
IPI	<u>https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/AcceleratedInstructionandInterventionProgramsofInstruction.pdf</u>

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, Holland ISD will receive formal notification of noncompliance in additionto 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

	Submission Due	Completion Due		Communication
Required Actions	Date	Date	Support Level	Schedule
SSP	N/A		Universal	N/A
САР	N/A	N/A		30 days

Timeline for SSP and/or CAP Below:

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

**LEA may have previously identified corrective actions in addition to findings in this report.

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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