

Cycle 1 Group 1

Dates: October 2019 – December 2019

Texas Education Agency 2019—2020 CYCLICAL MONITORING REPORT Local Education Agency (LEA) Name: Jasper ISD CDN: 121904 LEA Compliant □ Non-Compliance Identified ☑ Corrective Actions: Completed

INTRODUCTION

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to extend appreciation to Jasper 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 Jasper ISD. On December 20, 2019, the TEA conducted a comprehensive desk review of Jasper ISD. The total number of files reviewed for the Jasper ISD comprehensive desk review was 36. The review found overall that 12 files out of 36 files were compliant. An overview of the policy review and student file review for Jasper 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	34 of 36
IEP Development	6 of 6	20 of 36
IEP Content	3 of 3	36 of 36
IEP Implementation	8 of 8	36 of 36
Properly Constituted ARD	7 of 7	31 of 36
State Assessment	5 of 5	21 of 36
Transition	4 of 4	32 of 36

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.

Year	Results-Driven Accountability (RDA) Performance Level	SPP Indicators 11, 12, 13 Compliance*	Significant Disproportionality
2019	PL 4–Needs Substantial Intervention	NONCOMPLIANCE: SPP 11	SD Year 3

*Indicator 11: Child Find Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition Indicator 13: Secondary Transition

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

Staff/Administrative/Family Interviews

On December 7, 2019, the TEA Review and Support team conducted 18 interviews during the on-site visit. Participants included parents/guardians, general education teachers, special education teachers, and administrators (campus and district). The Review and Support interviews focused on the following review areas:

- Special education program and structure
- Implementation of Services
- Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness

Strengths

A strength of the special education program in Jasper ISD is family engagement. Parents and families reported that they experience strong lines of communication with school and district staff. School and district staff described multiple strategies for communicating with families.

Another strength of Jasper ISD's special education programming is its range of community partnerships. Special education staff have open lines of communication with outside service providers, such as mental health professionals. A developing partnership with a county-based service provider is anticipated to further strengthen the district's social-emotional learning programming for students with emotional and behavioral needs.

Across the district, campuses have strong practices in place for using formative and summative student data to plan instruction for students with disabilities, and all students. Special education staff are typically included in PLC meetings. Students with disabilities are educated in the least restrictive environment, and a newly implemented co-teach model at the junior high level has resulted in academic gains for students with disabilities. Practices such as testing tickets ensure that general education and special education staff communicate regularly about the progress and needs of students receiving special education services.

Finally, Jasper ISD's special education department hosted its first transition fair, an event that was positively received by transition-aged students and families. Opening lines of communication between transition-aged students, families, and postsecondary education, employment, and service providers is likely to support positive student outcomes after graduation.

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 Jasper ISD:

Consider professional development for campus staff related to FBA/BIP development and preventative strategies for students with disabilities experiencing behaviors of concern.

Consider providing special education staff training on best practices in PLAAFP and measurable annual goal development.

Consider opportunities for professional development related to assistive technology.

Technical Assistance

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

Topic	Resource
Intensive Programs of Instruction (IPI)	Intensive Programs of Instruction
	Present Levels of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance
IEP Implementation	
	<u>Texas First Project - Goals and Objectives</u>
Behavior/BIPs/Positive	
Behavior Supports	Restorative Discipline Practices in Texas

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, Jasper 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 non-compliance 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		Intensive	30 days
CAP	3/30/2020	2/14/2021		30 days

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.

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

APPENDIX

Child Find/Evaluation

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
SE1	34 CFR §300.301	TAC 89.1011(c);	⊠ Yes	Individual—Yes	⊠ Yes
	(c)(1)(ii)	TEC §29.004	□ No	Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's free, appropriate public education (FAPE) had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes Systemic corrections will be incorporated into corrective actions currently in place to address SPP 11 noncompliance.	

Properly Constituted ARD

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
PCA9		TAC §89.1050	⊠ Yes	Individual—Yes	⊠ Yes
		(c)(1)(l)	□ No	Convene ARD committee meetings for students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's free, appropriate public education (FAPE) had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed.	
				Systemic—Yes	
				Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating procedures and practices, addressing this issue.	
				Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate staff.	
				Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance.	
				Demonstrate systemic, ongoing compliance in this area.	

IEP Development

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
ID2	34 CFR § 300.320		⊠ Yes	Individual—Yes	⊠ Yes
	(a)(1)		□ No	Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's free, appropriate public education (FAPE) had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes	
				Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating guidelines and procedures, addressing this issue.	
				Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate staff.	
				Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance.	
				Demonstrate systemic, ongoing compliance in this area.	
ID3	34 CFR § 300.320		⊠ Yes	Individual—Yes	⊠ Yes
	(a)(2)(i)		□ No	Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to	

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				consider if the student's free, appropriate public education (FAPE) had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed.	
				Systemic—Yes	
				Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating procedures and practices, addressing this issue.	
				Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate staff.	
				Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance.	
				Demonstrate systemic, ongoing compliance in this area.	
ID4 ID5	34 CFR § 300.320(⊠ Yes	Individual—Yes	⊠ Yes
103	a)(3)		□ No	Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's free, appropriate public education (FAPE) had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed.	
				Systemic—Yes	
				Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating procedures and practices, addressing this	

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State Assessment

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
SA4		TEC §28.0213	⊠ Yes	Individual—Yes	⊠ Yes
			□ No	Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's free, appropriate public education (FAPE) had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes	
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				Demonstrate systemic, ongoing compliance in this area.	

Transition

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
TR7		TAC §89.1055	⊠ Yes	Individual—Yes	⊠ Yes
		(j)(9)	□ No	Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's free, appropriate public education (FAPE) had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes	
				Review and revise policies and procedures, including	

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				Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate staff.	
				Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance.	
				Demonstrate systemic, ongoing compliance in this area.	

Behavior

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
IB2	34 CFR §300.324		⊠ Yes	Individual—Yes	⊠ Yes
	(a)(2)(i)		□ No.	Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's free, appropriate public education (FAPE) had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes	

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				Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating procedures and practices, addressing this issue.	
				Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate staff.	
				Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance.	
				Demonstrate systemic, ongoing compliance in this area.	