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Action Not Required

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Subject: Cycle 2 Review Status Clarification and Update

Dear Jana Lin Lowe,

The purpose of this letter is to clarify your district of its status related to the special education Cycle 2 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 **Leggett ISD** received a 2020-2021 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 6 Education Service Center Special Education Contact, Region 6 Education Service Center

Enclosure



Cycle 2 Group 3

Dates: April 2021- June 2021

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY 2020-2021 CYCLICAL MONITORING REPORT

Local Education Agency (LEA) Name: Leggett ISD

CDN: 187906

Status: Complete – See attached letter and updated Appendix

INTRODUCTION

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to extend appreciation to Leggett 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), Significant Disproportionality (SD), and dyslexia program evaluation recommend targeted technical assistance and support for LEAs related to special education, and highlight best practices of LEAs that demonstrate success.

CYCLICAL MONITORING

The TEA conducts cyclical reviews of all 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 and dyslexia program 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

020–2021 CYCLICAL REVIEW COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

On April 22, 2021, the TEA conducted a policy review of Leggett ISD. On May 28, 2021, the TEA

conducted a comprehensive desk review of Leggett ISD. The total number of files reviewed for the Leggett ISD comprehensive desk review was 14 files. The review found overall that 13 files out of 14 files were compliant. An overview of the policy review and student file review for Leggett 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	19 of 19	14 of 14
IEP Development	5 of 5	14 of 14
IEP Content	3 of 3	14 of 14
IEP Implementation	21 of 21	14 of 14
Properly Constituted ARD	8 of 8	14 of 14
State Assessment	4 of 4	9 of 9
Transition	6 of 6	4 of 5

2020–2021 DYSLEXIA COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

The dyslexia monitoring process focuses on three-core elements: early identification and intervention, program of instruction, and parent notification. The TEA Department of Review and Support: Dyslexia Monitoring reviewed Leggett ISD artifacts using a program evaluation protocol which is aligned to Senate Bill 2075 of the 86th Legislature, Texas Education Code (TEC) 38.003 (c-1), and 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 74.28. The 2020-2021 school year results for Leggett ISD are in the table below.

Areas of Implementation	Compliance Status	
Dyslexia Procedures	Met Compliance	
Parent Communication	Met Compliance	
Screening	Met Compliance	
Reading Instruments	Met Compliance	
Evaluation and Identification	Met Compliance	
Instruction	Met Compliance	
Dysgraphia	Met Compliance	
Professional Development and Training	Met Compliance	
Progress Monitoring	Met Compliance	

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 Year (RDA) Determination Level		SPP Indicators 11, 12, 13 Compliance*	Significant Disproportionality
2020	DL 1—Meets Requirements	COMPLIANT	N/A

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

2020-2021 COVID-19 IMPACT NARRATIVE SUBMISSION

In the 2020-2021 academic year, Local Education Agencies (LEAs) were provided an opportunity to complete a COVID-19 impact narrative form documenting the practices incorporated to support Child Find and FAPE for students being served by special education programs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

2020-2021 CYCLICAL REVIEW PARENT, TEACHER, ADMINISTRATOR INTERVIEWS/SURVEY

Staff and Family Surveys

Minimum size requirements not met. Results were 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 Leggett ISD:

- Intensive Programs of Instruction (IPIs) were consistently present for students who didnot pass STAAR.
- Consistently, remote learning contingency plans were discussed and documented within the students' IEPs.
- Leggett ISD's commitment to family engagement is evidenced by giving families more than five days of notice for ARD meetings and the high attendance rates of parents/guardians at 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 Leggett ISD:

 Consider additional training on transition and when conversations of transfer of rights for students prior to before their 17th birthday. Consider additional training documenting appropriate PLAAFPs based on student needs, inclusive of strengths and weaknesses.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

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

Topic	Resource
Transition	The Student-Centered Transitions Network: The Student-Centered Transitions Network builds collaborative infrastructures among students, families, schools, LEAs, and communities. The SCTN aims for all students with disabilities to be actively involved in planning, communicating, and evaluating progress in meeting their transition goals from early childhood through high school graduation and postsecondary readiness.
IEP Development	Technical Assistance: IEP Development.: The IEP Development Document is part of an ongoing series to provide technical assistance to LEAs from the Texas Education Agency.

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, Leggett ISD will receive formal notification of noncompliance in addition to this report.

The TEA Department of Review and Support 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 Ascend Texas.

The LEA must submit the CAP in Ascend within 30 school days from the date of this report and/or 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.

2020–2021 DYSLEXIA PROGRAM EVALUATION FINDINGS

As a result of the program evaluation review, the TEA Department of Review and Support: Dyslexia Monitoring has identified the following strengths, considerations, and technical assistance recommendations for Leggett ISD.

An area of strength includes a comprehensive district-wide procedure manual that includes program procedures for evaluating, identifying, instructing, and screening students with dyslexia.

Your current dyslexia program is in alignment with state and federal mandates. The following resources are recommended for reflection of current dyslexia program to strengthen internal systems and procedures.

The following technical assistance resource(s) are recommended for Leggett ISD.

Topic	Resource
TEA Review and Support	<u>Dyslexia Monitoring</u>
TEA Special Education	<u>Dyslexia and Related Disorders</u>
Dyslexia: TEA Professional Learning Course	TEALearn Dyslexia Modules

Corrective Action

The TEA reviews data collected from the dyslexia program evaluation to ensure compliance with federal and state regulatory requirements. In accordance with Senate Bill 2075 of the 86th Legislature, TEC 38.003 (c-1), and 19 TAC 74.28 regarding noncompliance identified through the dyslexia program evaluation, a finding of noncompliance is identified by the citation (i.e., program or process) that is violated.

Dyslexia Performance Plan (DPP)

If noncompliance is identified, the LEA is required to demonstrate correction of all noncompliance in the Dyslexia Performance Plan (DPP). This tool guides LEAs through a continuous improvement process. It addresses areas of growth that will positively impact students with dyslexia or other related disorders. LEAs should complete the DPP no later than 120-days after receiving notification of noncompliance. This document will be provided by the TEA or can be accessed in the resources section of the Review and Support website.

LEA ACTIONS

Timeline for Strategic Support Plan (SSP) and/or Corrective Action Plan (CAP) Below:

Required Actions	Submission Due Date	Completion Due Date	Support Level	Communication Schedule
SSP	12/18/2020		Universal	90 days
CAP	Not Applicable			
DPP				

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

Transition

Student File Review

Updated clarification 12/2021

LEA corrected the individual student folders prior to any issuance of findings by the State. No additional corrective actions are required.

Item	IDEA Citation	Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
TR14	34CFR §300.320(c)	TAC §89.1049(a)	Student folder did not meet requirements upon initial review.	None - Individual correction completed prior to issuance of findings.	No CAP required