

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY 2020-2021 CYCLICAL MONITORING REPORT NEW CANEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

CDN: 170908

LEA Compliant

INTRODUCTION

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to extend appreciation to New Caney Independent School District (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 will 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

2020–2021 CYCLICAL REVIEW COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

On January 22, 2021, the TEA conducted a policy review of New Caney Independent School District (ISD). On February 25, 2021, the TEA conducted a comprehensive desk review of New Caney Independent School District (ISD). The total number of files reviewed for the New Caney Independent School District (ISD) comprehensive desk review was 24. The review found overall that 24 files out of 24 files were compliant. An overview of the policy review and student file review for New Caney Independent School District (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	6 of 6
IEP Development	5 of 5	24 of 24
IEP Content	3 of 3	24 of 24
IEP Implementation	21 of 21	24 of 24
Properly Constituted ARD	8 of 8	24 of 24
State Assessment	4 of 4	11 of 11
Transition	6 of 6	6 of 6

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 New Caney Independent School District (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 New Caney Independent School District (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	

2020-2021 RESIDENTIAL FACILITY INFORMATION

New Caney Independent School District (ISD) .170908 has 1 Residential Facility (RFs) according to RF Tracker 2020 collection. The chart below identifies the RFs which were included in the cyclical review.

RF Name	RF Number	Grade Level(s)
Grammys Emergency Shelter	261433	РК-12

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) Determination Level	SPP Indicators 11, 12, 13 Compliance*	Significant Disproportionality
2020	DL 1—Meets Requirements	NONCOMPLIANCE: SPP 11	N/A
*Indicator 11: Child Find			

Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition Indicator 13: Secondary Transition

2020-2021 COVID-19 IMPACT NARRATIVE

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 New Caney Independent School District (ISD):

- Present Levels of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance (PLAAFP) statements demonstrate detailed student data and alignment to the goals.
- Document submissions included evidence of comprehensive data collecting and consistent

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progress monitoring and Autism supplement included relevant and detailed support for parents/families/caregivers.

• Detailed deliberations demonstrate comprehensive support for both in-person and remote learning.

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 New Caney Independent School District (ISD):

- Consider reviewing guidance for improving evaluation procedures.
- Consider creating an Intensive Program of Instruction (IPI) for all struggling students to close the achievement gaps for students with disabilities.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

As a result of monitoring, the TEA has identified the following technical assistance resources to support New Caney Independent School District (ISD) engaging in **targeted** support as determined by the RDA performance level data and artifacts within the compliance review:

Торіс	Resource	
Evaluation	 <u>Technical Assistance Guidance for Child Find and Evaluations</u>.: The Child Find and Evaluation Technical Assistance Guidance is intended for use by Texas educators to support the implementation of services for students with or suspected of having disabilities. Link to the guidance <u>Special Education Initial Referral Timeline</u> provides an overview of the timeline and legal requirements for a referral for an initial special education evaluation. <u>Special Education Full and Individual Initial Evaluation Timeline flowchart</u> provides an overview of the various timelines for an initial evaluation and ARD committee meetings where eligibility is determined based upon when the school district received written consent for an FIIE. Special Education Full and Individual Initial Evaluation (FIIE) Assessment Log provides local education agencies (LEAs) a tool for tracking initial evaluations and aligns with the data collection requirements of State Performance Indicators 11 and 12. 	
Intensive Program of Intervention (IPI)	- STAAR resources For LEAs.	

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 Copyright © 2020. Texas Education Agency. All Rights Reserved.

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, New Caney Independent School District (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 New Caney Independent School District (ISD).

Areas of Strength

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

Areas of Consideration

The LEA's dyslexia program is in alignment with state and federal requirements. The following resources are recommended to support the implementation of the dyslexia program, internal systems, and procedures.

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

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 <u>Review and Support website</u>.

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		Targeted	60 days
САР	NA			
DPP	NA			

For more information about cyclical monitoring and the Differentiated Monitoring and Support process, please visit the <u>Review and Support website</u> **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