

To the Administrator Addressed

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DATE:	July 13, 2023
SUBJECT:	2023–2027 Commissioner's List of Approved Grade 7 Reading
	Instruments
CATEGORY:	Reading
NEXT STEPS:	Share with appropriate reading/literacy and/or assessment staff

2023–2027 Commissioner's List of Approved Grade 7 Reading Instruments

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) has posted a new *Commissioner's List of Approved Grade 7 Reading Instruments* for use during the 2023–2024 through 2026–2027 school years in accordance with Texas Education Code (TEC), §28.006(c-1).

In accordance with TEC, §28.006(c-1), each school district and open-enrollment charter school is required to administer at the beginning of Grade 7, a reading instrument adopted by the commissioner to each student whose performance on the Grade 6 STAAR Reading assessment did not demonstrate reading proficiency. Districts and charter school must administer the reading instrument in accordance with the commissioner's recommendations under TEC, §28.006(a)(1).

The Commissioner's List of Approved Grade 7 Reading Instruments ensures school districts and charter schools select instruments that are based on valid and reliable scientific research, thoroughly measure each domain of development, and are user friendly. The following three domains of development are assessed using the instruments on the list

- 1. Text Comprehension (Reading)
- 2. Word Analysis
- 3. Fluency

The instruments listed below may be accessed on the <u>Grade 7 Reading Instruments page</u> on the TEA website.

2023–2027 Commissioner's List of Approved Grade 7 Reading Instruments:

- i-Ready Assessment for Reading (Curriculum Associates, LLC)
- Istation's Indicators of Progress (ISIP) (Istation)
- LION for Reading (Liberty Source)
- Map Suite (MAP Growth TM Reading and MAP Reading Fluency TM) (NWEA)
- MindPlay Literacy (MindPlay Education LLC)
- STAR Reading (Renaissance Learning, Inc)
- Texas Middle School Fluency Assessment (TMSFA)

The Texas Middle School Fluency Assessment (TMSFA) option will continue to be available to school districts and open-enrollment charter schools free of charge.

Should you have questions, please contact the Reading Language Arts and Social Studies Team in the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division by completing a <u>Curriculum Request Form</u>.