

DATE:	March 13, 2025
SUBJECT:	Commissioner-Approved K-2 Reading Instruments: Selection and Extension Updates
CATEGORY:	Early Childhood Education
NEXT STEPS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share with staff who support early childhood programs and/or test administration for prekindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1–2 • Ensure approved instruments are selected for the 2025-26 school year

This correspondence provides updates on the commissioner-approved Kindergarten-grade 2 reading instruments available for use by school systems (school districts or open-enrollment charter schools) for the 2025-26 school year.

Updates on Selection Process for Commissioner-Approved K-2 Reading Instruments

TEA initiated a process in October 2024 to select new commissioner-approved reading instruments for use in Kindergarten-grade 2 starting in the 2025-26 school year. To ensure districts have maximum time to support implementation, no changes will be made effective the 2025-26 school year. The currently approved Kindergarten-grade 2 reading instruments have been extended through August 31, 2026. Updates to the approved list for the 2026-27 school year will be published later this year.

Extension of Current Commissioner-Approved Kindergarten-grade 2 Reading Instruments

For kindergarten, Circle Kindergarten Progress Monitoring (formerly known as TX-KEA) by CLI and mCLASS Texas by Amplify will remain available as commissioner-approved reading instruments at no cost to districts.

For grades 1 and 2, TPRI/Tejas LEE by CLI and mCLASS Texas Edition by Amplify will remain available as commissioner-approved reading instruments. School systems will continue to have the opportunity to select an alternate reading instrument for use in grades 1 and 2 through their district-level committee.

Please Note: The authorization period for mCLASS Texas Edition as a free, commissioner-approved reading instrument for kindergarten and grades 1-2 has been extended through August 2026. These instruments will continue to be provided at no cost to school systems.

Questions

For additional information regarding early childhood instruments and requirements, visit the [Early Learning Assessments webpage](#).

If you have any questions regarding prekindergarten, kindergarten, grade 1 or grade 2 instruments, please contact the Division of Early Childhood Education by submitting a ticket through the [ECE Support Portal](#).