



To the Administrator Addressed

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DATE:	May 12, 2022
SUBJECT:	Extension of Commissioner's List of Approved Prekindergarten Instruments
CATEGORY:	Early Childhood Education
NEXT STEPS:	Share with early childhood staff

The purpose of this communication is to inform local educational agencies (LEAs) about the extension of the current Commissioner's List of Approved Prekindergarten Instruments for use through the 2022-2023 school year in accordance with Texas Education Code (TEC), §29.169 and §28.006.

The Commissioner's list, with detailed information about each instrument, can be found on the [Educator Resources](#) page of the TEA website, as well as on the [Data Tool Selection Guide](#) webpage.

Prekindergarten Requirements

School districts and open-enrollment charter schools, in the provision of high-quality, full-day prekindergarten for 4-year-old students, must collect data regarding student progress in the domains of health and wellness, language and communication, emergent literacy reading, emergent literacy writing, and mathematics at both the beginning (BOY) and end of year (EOY) by using one or more of the tools on the Commissioner's list. This raw data is submitted to the Early Childhood Data System (ECDS) annually.

To fully meet the requirements, each student must be assessed in all five of the domains listed above, and data for those five domains must be collected and reported for both BOY and EOY for each student.