

## To the Administrator Addressed

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DATE:	October 20, 2022
SUBJECT:	Texas First Early High School Completion Program
<b>CATEGORY:</b>	Graduation and Scholarship Program
<b>NEXT STEPS:</b>	Share with high school counselors, advisors, and
	administrators

Senate Bill 1888, 87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature, 2021, establishes the Texas First Early High School Completion Program to allow public high school students who demonstrate early readiness for college to graduate early from high school and earn a scholarship for one or two semesters at certain Texas universities.

Information regarding the Texas First Early High School Completion Program may be accessed at <u>Texas</u> First Early High School Completion Program page.

## Action Required

Upon a student's initial enrollment in public high school in a grade level below grade 12 in a school system, the school system must provide to the student and the student's parent or guardian information regarding:

- (1) the requirements to earn a high school diploma under the program; and
- (2) the Texas First Scholarship Program.

This <u>Texas First Diploma flyer</u> can be used by school systems for this purpose.

## **Data Collection**

Beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, school systems will be required to report in TSDS PEIMS information regarding students who graduate early under this program. Graduates from the 2022-2023 school year who meet the requirements for the Texas First Early High School Completion Program will be reported in the 2023-2024 PEIMS Fall submission. The data collection will be shared with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for verification and award of scholarships.