



Cycle 1 Group 2

Dates: January 2020 – March 2020

## Texas Education Agency 2019–2020 CYCLICAL MONITORING REPORT

Local Education Agency (LEA) Name: Texarkana ISD  
CDN: 019907

LEA Compliant

Non-Compliance Identified

Corrective Actions: Completed

### INTRODUCTION

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to extend appreciation to Texarkana 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), and Significant Disproportionality (SD), 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.

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

## 2019–2020 CYCLICAL REVIEW COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

On September 19, 2019, the TEA conducted a policy review of Texarkana ISD. On March 13, 2020, the TEA conducted a comprehensive desk review of Texarkana ISD. The total number of files reviewed for the Texarkana ISD comprehensive desk review was 39 folders. The review found overall that 37 files out of 39 files were compliant. An overview of the policy review and student file review for Texarkana 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	11 of 11	39 of 39
IEP Development	6 of 6	38 of 39
IEP Content	3 of 3	39 of 39
IEP Implementation	8 of 8	39 of 39
Properly Constituted ARD	7 of 7	39 of 39
State Assessment	5 of 5	39 of 39
Transition	4 of 4	9 of 10

## 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) Performance Level	SPP Indicators 11, 12, 13 Compliance*	Significant Disproportionality
2019	PL 2—Needs Assistance	COMPLIANT	SD Year 1

\*Indicator 11: Child Find  
Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition  
Indicator 13: Secondary Transition

## 2019–2020 CYCLICAL REVIEW PARENT, TEACHER, ADMINISTRATOR INTERVIEWS/SURVEY

### Staff/Administrative/Family Interviews

On March 12, 2020, the TEA Review and Support team conducted 16 interviews during the on-site visit. Participants were as follows: parents/guardians, administrators (campus and district), general education teachers, special education teachers, and evaluation staff. The Review and Support interviews focused on the following review areas:

- Special education professional development opportunities for special and general educators
- Data-driven instruction and IEP development
- Inclusion and Least Restrictive Environment

### Strengths

Based on the results of the policy review and student file review, along with data collected from LEA staff and family interviews and student observations, the Review and Support team identified the following strengths for Texarkana ISD:

- Procedures to ensure systemic compliance are very detailed and effective.
- Administrators and staff described a wide range of service models for the delivery of instruction.
- Evidence of reading growth in grades kindergarten to grade three based on TPRI results was highlighted as evidence during the interviews.

### Considerations

Based on the 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 Texarkana ISD:

- Quality in the development of transition planning and procedures for monitoring the transfer of rights.
- Professional development to increase IEP content quality with an emphasis on alignment between the Present Level of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance (PLAAFP) and goals for general education and special education staff.

### Technical Assistance

As a result of monitoring, the TEA has identified the following technical assistance resources to support Texarkana ISD engaging in targeted support as determined by the RDA performance level data and artifacts within the compliance review:

Topic	Resource
Present Levels of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance (PLAAFP)	<a href="#">Texas Project FIRST</a> - Texas Project FIRST provides information, resources, support, and training materials for families and communities.
Transition	<a href="#">IRIS Learning Modules for Transition</a> – The module focuses on the transition process from high school to post-secondary settings. Among other topics, it discusses IEP planning, engaging students in the process to become better advocates for their own needs, and the importance of outside agencies such as vocational rehabilitation

## 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 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, Texarkana ISD will receive formal notification of noncompliance in addition to this report.***

The TEA Division of Special Education Monitoring 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 Intervention, Stage, and Activity Manager (ISAM).

The LEA must submit the CAP in ISAM 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.

## LEA ACTIONS

Timeline for SSP and/or CAP Below:

Required Actions	Submission Due Date	Completion Due Date	Support Level	Communication Schedule
CAP	N/A	N/A		N/A

For more information about cyclical monitoring and the Differentiated Monitoring and Support process, please visit the [Review and Support website](#)

\*\*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](#)