

Cycle 2 Group 3

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TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY 2020-2021 CYCLICAL MONITORING REPORT VANGUARD ACADEMY

CDN: 108808

Non-Compliance Identified

Corrective Actions To Be Completed

INTRODUCTION

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to extend appreciation to Vanguard Academy 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), Significant Disproportionality (SD), and dyslexia program evaluation will 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 and dyslexia program 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

2020–2021 CYCLICAL REVIEW COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

On April 22, 2021, the TEA conducted a policy review of Vanguard Academy. On May 28, 2021, the TEA conducted a comprehensive desk review of Vanguard Academy. The total number of files reviewed for the Vanguard Academy comprehensive desk review was 23. The review found overall that 10 files out of 23 files were compliant. An overview of the policy review and student file review for Vanguard Academy 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:

	Policy Review	Student File Review
Compliance Area	(# compliant of # reviewed)	(# compliant of # reviewed)
Child Find/Evaluation/FAPE	19 of 19	20 of 23
IEP Development	5 of 5	23 of 23
IEP Content	3 of 3	18 of 23
IEP Implementation	21 of 21	23 of 23
Properly Constituted ARD	8 of 8	16 of 23
State Assessment	4 of 4	23 of 23
Transition	6 of 6	5 of 8

2020–2021 DYSLEXIA COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

The dyslexia monitoring process focuses on three-core elements: early identification and intervention, program of instruction, and parent notification. The TEA Department of Review and Support: Dyslexia Monitoring reviewed Vanguard Academy artifacts using a program evaluation protocol which is aligned to Senate Bill 2075 of the 86th Legislature, Texas Education Code (TEC) 38.003 (c-1), and 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 74.28. The 2020-2021 school year results for Vanguard Academy are in the table below.

Areas of Implementation	Compliance Status
Dyslexia Procedures	Met Compliance
Parent Communication	Met Compliance
Screening	Met Compliance
Reading Instruments	Met Compliance
Evaluation and Identification	Met Compliance
Instruction	Met Compliance
Dysgraphia	Met Compliance
Professional Development and Training	Met Compliance
Progress Monitoring	Met Compliance

2020-2021 CHARTER CAMPUS INFORMATION

Vanguard Academy. 108808 has 4 active campuses and is approved to serve students in PK-12 grade. Campuses are located in the following county: Hidalgo. The student file review included 10 from PK-5 grade, 7 from grades 6-8 and 6 from grades 9-12. The chart below identifies the campuses which were included in the cyclical review.

Campus Name	Campus Number	County	Grade Level(s)
VANGUARD BEETHOVEN	108808105	Hidalgo	PK-10
VANGUARD MOZART	108808104	Hidalgo	PK-12
VANGUARD PICASSO	108808103	Hidalgo	PK-5
VANGUARD REMBRANDT	108808101	Hidalgo	PK-12

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) Determination Level	SPP Indicators 11, 12, 13 Compliance*	Significant Disproportionality
2020	DL 1—Meets Requirements	COMPLIANT	N/A

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

2020-2021 COVID-19 IMPACT NARRATIVE

In the 2020-2021 academic year, Local Education Agencies (LEAs) were provided an opportunity to complete a COVID-19 impact narrative form documenting the practices incorporated to support Child Find and FAPE for students being served by special education programs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

2020-2021 CYCLICAL REVIEW PARENT, TEACHER, ADMINISTRATOR INTERVIEWS/SURVEY

Minimum size requirements not met. Results not published within this report due to the limitation of the sample size.

Strengths

Based on results of the policy review and student file review, the Review and Support team identified the following strengths for Vanguard Academy:

- Proficient practices related to IEP Implementation, IEP Development, State Assessment, and Behavior.
- Special education policies and practices follow federal and state requirements and are linked to the Legal Framework.

Considerations

Based on results of the policy review and student file review, the Review and Support team identified following areas that must be addressed by Vanguard Academy:

- Develop processes and provide training related to creating measurable post-secondary goals.
- Develop processes and provide training to ensure Individualized Education Program (IEP)
 Committee members serving as the LPAC representative are invited, participate, documented, and do not serve in dual roles in the IEP meeting that are not permitted by rule.
- Develop processes and provide training to ensure all Annual ARDs are held by the annual anniversary date.
- Develop processes and provide training to ensure all Full and Individual Evaluations are completed by the 45 day timeline.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

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

Topic	Resource
Evaluation	<u>Child Find, Evaluation and ARD Support Network:</u> assists LEAs by providing resources and training that are aligned with implementing effective Child Find practices, conducting comprehensive evaluations, and practicing collaborative admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) committee processes that lead to a free appropriate public education (FAPE) for students with disabilities.
Properly Constituted ARD (LPAC)	Guidance Related to ARD Committee and LPAC Collaboration. Supporting English Learners in Texas: Compliance and Accountability: This includes following the standardized, statewide process for identifying, serving, and reclassifying/exiting English learners and for monitoring their English language acquisition and academic progress. In addition, Texas school districts must also ensure equitable access of English learners to other program services, including special education services and services for gifted and talented students. The following Tools are specific to supporting students with special education services
	.http://framework.esc18.net/display/Webforms/ESC18-FW-Summary.aspx?FID=109&SearchTerm=ard+committee.+
Annual IEP Timeline	.Child Find, Evaluation and ARD Support Network: assists LEAs by providing resources and training that are aligned with implementing effective Child Find practices, conducting comprehensive evaluations, and practicing collaborative admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) committee processes that lead to a free appropriate public education (FAPE) for students with disabilities.
Transition	. <u>Texas Project First:</u> . This resource outlines what makes a post-secondary goal measurable and the difference between annual and post-secondary goals.

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, Vanguard Academy will receive formal notification of noncompliance in addition to this report.

The TEA Department of Review and Support 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 Ascend Texas.

The LEA must submit the CAP in Ascend 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.

2020–2021 DYSLEXIA PROGRAM EVALUATION FINDINGS

As a result of the program evaluation review, the TEA Department of Review and Support: Dyslexia Monitoring has identified the following strengths, considerations, and technical assistance recommendations for Vanguard Academy.

The following technical assistance resource(s) are recommended for Vanguard Academy.

Topic	Resource
TEA Review and Support	Dyslexia Monitoring
TEA Special Education	Dyslexia and Related Disorders
Dyslexia: TEA Professional Learning Course	. <u>TEALearn Dyslexia Modules</u> .

Corrective Action

The TEA reviews data collected from the dyslexia program evaluation to ensure compliance with federal and state regulatory requirements. In accordance with Senate Bill 2075 of the 86th. Legislature, TEC 38.003 (c-1), and 19 TAC 74.28 regarding noncompliance identified through the dyslexia program evaluation, a finding of noncompliance is identified by the citation (i.e., program or process) that is violated.

Dyslexia Performance Plan (DPP)

If noncompliance is identified, the LEA is required to demonstrate correction of all noncompliance in the Dyslexia Performance Plan (DPP). This tool guides LEAs through a continuous improvement process. It addresses areas of growth that will positively impact students with dyslexia or other related disorders. LEAs should complete the DPP no later than 120-days after receiving notification of noncompliance. This document will be provided by the TEA or can be accessed in the resources section of the Review and Support website.

LEA ACTIONS

Timeline for Strategic Support Plan (SSP) and/or Corrective Action Plan (CAP) Below:

Required Actions	Submission Due Date	Completion Due Date	Support Level	Communication Schedule
SSP				
CAP	9/14/2021	7/29/2022		30 days
DPP	NA	NA		NA

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

.<u>Differentiated Monitoring and Support System</u>.

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

APPENDIX

Child Find/Evaluation

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
SE1	34 CFR §300.301 (c)(1)(ii)	TAC 89.1011(c); TEC §29.004	Yes	Individual—Yes Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's FAPE had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes	Yes
				Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating guidelines and practices addressing this issue. Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate	
				staff. Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance.	
				Systemic correction of the noncompliance has taken place.	

Properly Constituted ARD

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
PCA10		TAC §89.1050 (c) (1)(J)	Yes	Individual—Yes Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's FAPE had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating guidelines and practices addressing this issue. Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate staff. Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance Systemic correction of the noncompliance has taken place.	Yes

IEP Content

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
IC1	34 CFR §300.324(b)		Yes	Individual—Yes Systemic—Yes Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's FAPE had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating guidelines and practices addressing this issue. Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate staff. Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance. Systemic correction of the noncompliance has taken place.	Yes

Transition

Item	IDEA Citation	TEC/TAC Citation	Evidence of Findings	Required Actions	Must Be Addressed in CAP
TR1	34 CFR §300.320 (b)	TAC 89.1055(j) TEC §29.0111	Yes	Individual—Yes Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's FAPE had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic - No	No
TR11	34 CFR 300.320(b)	TAC 89.1055(I) (1)	Yes	Individual – No Convene ARD committee meetings for those students whose records indicate noncompliance in this area to consider if the student's FAPE had been impacted and determine if compensatory services are needed. Systemic—Yes Review and revise policies and procedures, including operating guidelines and practices addressing this issue. Provide training on these procedures to the appropriate staff. Develop processes that allow for self-monitoring this area of noncompliance.	Yes
				Systemic correction of the noncompliance has taken place.	