

Tyler County Special Education Cooperative

February 5, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

During the 2016-2017 school year, the United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) performed a series of onsite monitoring visits to review Texas’ compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The final report was provided to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) on January 10, 2018.

The findings from that report require TEA to develop a plan to address four corrective actions. An integral part of the plan development process will be the gathering of input from stakeholders and other interested Texans.

TEA will be conducting a series of focus group meetings across the state targeting district leaders, families, teachers and service providers, and students. The “Parent Focus Group Meeting” for Tyler County will be held on Monday, February 12, 2018 at the Beaumont ISD Administration Building.

The Tyler County Special Education Cooperative is providing notice to interested parents of the following meeting opportunity and registration directions. **ALL participants must be registered prior to the meeting.** Each one-hour meeting will be structured to solicit targeted feedback from participants regarding TEA’s initial draft plan. These meetings are closed to media and the general public to protect the privacy of students and families.

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| Selection and Registration | Register through the Region 5 Education Service Center for the TEA Parent Focus Group Meeting . If you need help to register please call 409-951-1747 or 409-951-1731 or 409-951-1855. Meetings will include up to 25 participants each. Additional meetings may need to be scheduled at a later time to accommodate all registrants. |
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| TEA Parent Focus Group Meeting Agenda | | |
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| Location(s) | Date(s) | Time(s) |
| Beaumont ISD – Administration Bldg. 3395 Harrison Ave. Beaumont, Texas | February 12, 2018 | 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. 4:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. (only if 1st meeting is full) |
| Agenda | Time | Purpose/Outputs |
| Welcome and Overview | 15 minutes | Concise information given to group to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand of areas cited and requirements for corrective actions |
| Small Group Targeted Discussions | 30 minutes | Targeted questions that will result in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • formalized written feedback • idea consensus into formalized written feedback |
| Closing Remarks | 15 minutes | Close conversations and communicate next steps |

Parents and members of the community are invited to provide general comments and feedback on the plan the [USDE Corrective Action Draft Plan Online Survey](#) by February 18, 2018 or by emailing TEA at TexasSPED@tea.texas.gov.

Please visit the Tyler County Special Education website at <http://www.tccoop.net/> to view a copy of this letter that will include the links to the registration site. If you have any questions about this information, please contact the Tyler County Special Education Cooperative Office at 409-283-3752.