



# **Webinar Objectives and Outline**

Provide relevant program information and updates and take a deeper dive on division resources available to ESC and LEA leaders who support highly mobile and at-risk students.

## Agenda

- 1. Panel Supporting students in 2021
- 2. Student programs updates
- 3. Upcoming trainings, tools, and resources
- 4. Closing



# **Highly Mobile and At-Risk Student Programs Division**

#### Military Connected Students



Pregnancy Related Services



Foster Care and Student Success



Texas Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program



Child Abuse and Neglect Awareness (including mandatory reporting and human trafficking prevention)



#### **Purpose**

To increase awareness, build capacity, and improve TEA supports, resources and tools available for schools to address the unique needs and statutory requirements of highly mobile and at-risk students.

We are committed to improving the school experience and education outcomes of all highly mobile and at-risk students in Texas public schools.



# **Technical Support and Engagement**

1) Please submit any questions during the presentation to the Padlet <a href="https://bit.ly/3hU5Ej1">https://bit.ly/3hU5Ej1</a> (closes at 5pm).

- \*Zoom and YouTube chat will not be used.
- 2) This presentation will be recorded and available on HMAR website.
- 3) PDF of presentation will be posted with the resource links



# **Use Padlet for Questions**



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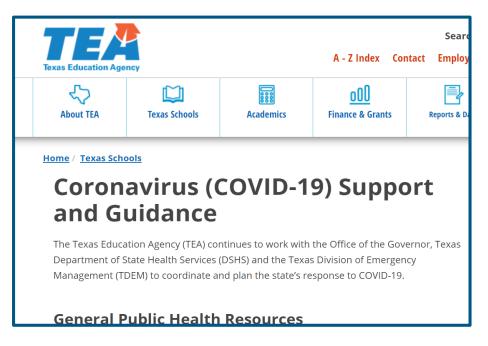
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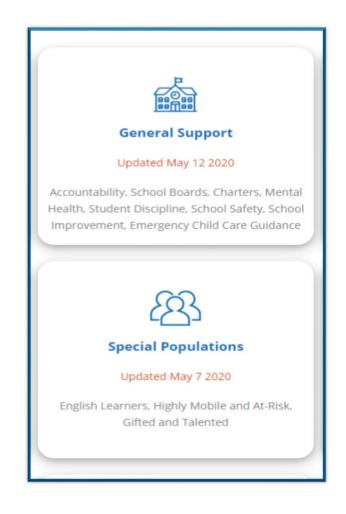
# **Accessing TEA COVID-19 Resources**

Resources provided by year | 19-20 and 20-21



TEA COVID Webpage
TEA COVID Special Populations
TEA COVID Mental Health Resources







# **TEA Highly Mobile and At-Risk Student Programs Division Webpage:**





Link to HM&AR Webpage





# Please direct questions that arise

to: disasterinfo@tea.texas.gov

inbox or the appropriate program office.







What are some considerations for school staff during the next few months to support highly mobile and at-risk students?



# **Key Considerations**



# Highly Mobile Students

- Enrollment Data
- Attendance and Academic Data
- Program Services

# Professional School Counselors and Leaders

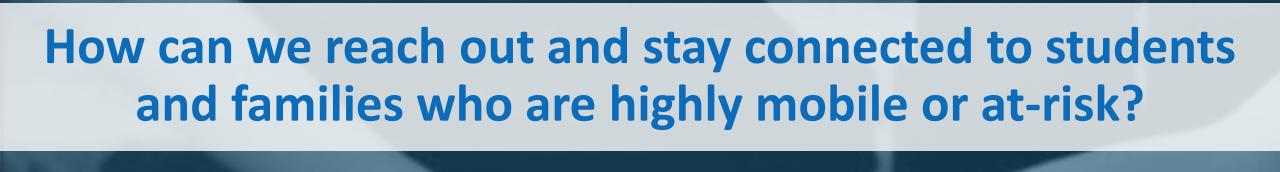
- Student Transitions
- Test Anxiety
- Pro-Active Planning 2021/2022
- Staff Wellness

# **Dropout Prevention**and Mental Health

- Relationship between dropout - mental health
- Early warning signs
- Build trusted relationships







# **Key Considerations**

# **Professional School Counselors and Leaders**

- Family Nights & Parent Universities
- Intentional Reach Outs
- Sharing of Wellness & Resiliency Tools

# **Dropout Prevention**and Mental Health

- Let students know that they matter
- Regular check-ins, monitor progress, determine root cause
- Personalize instructional and social – emotional supports

### **Highly Mobile Students**

- Extended Office Hours
- Campus and LEA Information Sharing Systems
- Collaboration with Stakeholders and Student Support Teams









What are some key strategies for building systems of student-centered collaboration?

# **Key Considerations**

Professional School
Counselors and
Leaders

- Student Transition Collaborations
- Student Voice & Representation
- Wraparound Supports

**Dropout Prevention**and Mental Health

- Build Community
- Establish Referral Pathways for families to school-community services (MTSS).
- Connect with adult advocates, mentors, community groups, case managers.

Highly Mobile Students

- Solution Focused Communication
- Gaps in Access and Resources
- Interventions, Progress, and Adjustments Needed











# We are Hiring!

The Highly Mobile and At-Risk Division is looking for a transformative leader to perform highly advanced consultative services and technical assistance work for HM&AR student groups.



## **Foster Care Liaisons in AskTED**

The appointment of a Foster Care Liaison and the submission of the liaison's information to AskTED are requirements of LEAs per TEC § 33.904.

- Currently 118 LEAs missing contact information.
- Ensure the **name**, **phone number**, and **email** of the Foster Care Liaison is in AskTED.

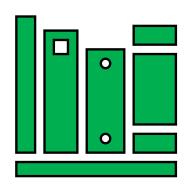








# Mental & Behavioral Health Team







Safe & Supportive School Program Focus Groups Needed

# **Project Restore**

# **Trauma-Informed Training Series**

- Understanding Trauma & Its Impact
- Understanding Your Experience& Building Resilience
- Understanding Your Student's Experiences
- Building Secure Relationships
- Developing a Positive Classroom
   Culture
- Building Strong Partnerships with Students' Families

















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# **TEM** Mental & Behavioral Health Team





#### **Categories:**

- **Original Artwork**
- Writing
- **Photography**

#### **Texas Mental Health Creative Art Contest**

https://gallery.txsystemofcare.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/art-contest-flyer-2021-1.pdf



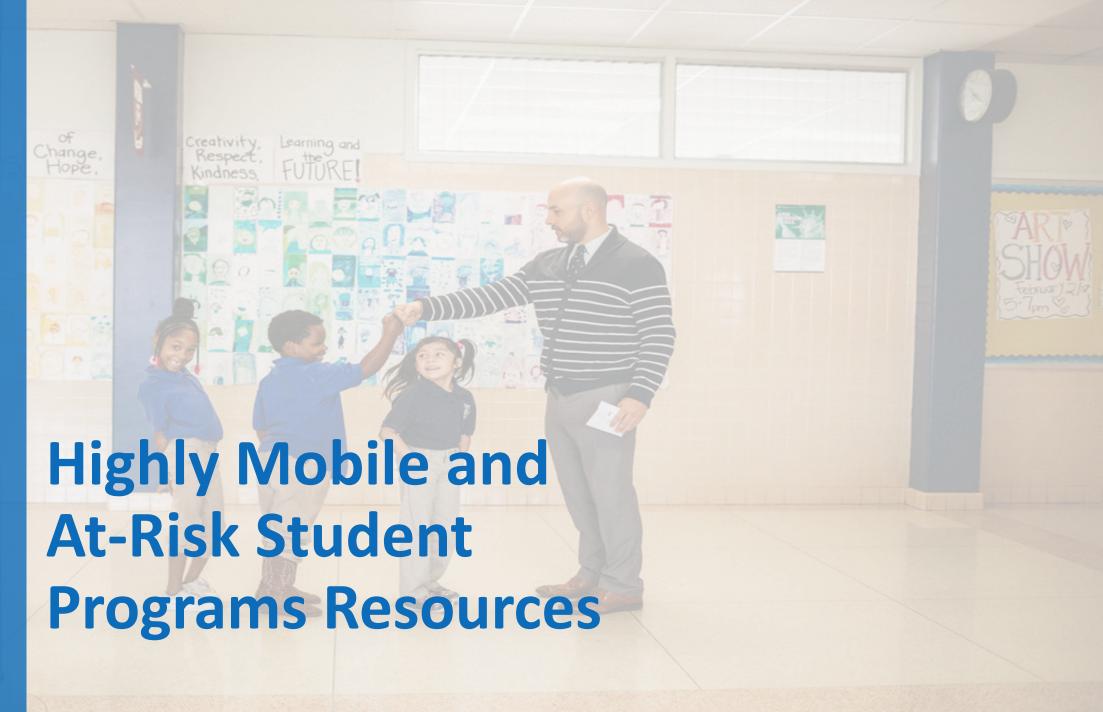
### **Featured Resource**

Schools and Youth Suicide **Prevention Materials** 

#### **Texas Suicide Prevention Collaborative**

https://texassuicideprevention.org/information-library/schools-and-youth-materials/





# **Engaging Highly Mobile and At-Risk Students Guide**



#### Special Populations

Updated August 26 2020

English Learners, Highly Mobile and At-Risk, Gifted and Talented





# Utilizing District Reporting and Data for Strategic Planning

District and campus leadership should analyze student engagement and academic progress data from 2019-2020 school year. This data provides the foundation for communication,

progress monitoring, engagement success of students in who are a the 2020-2021 school year

#### What is the purpose of colle District and campus staff should Guidance on Crisis Codes.

Crisis code data provides inform the start of the COVID-19 crisis

Analyzing crisis code data is the might have become disengaged

For the purpose of this guide, th

#### Engaged

Student was responding to requ assignments. For secondary stu any core content areas would co

#### Unengaged/Disengaged

Student was responding to requives not completing assignment completing assignments in any obe classified as unengaged regain by choice or uncontrollable circuits.

#### Not Contactable/Uncontact

An uncontactable student is def instruction formats provided by their relatives listed as the stude campuses transitioned from inyear. For more information visit Student Guidance

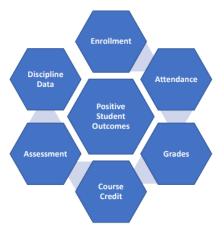


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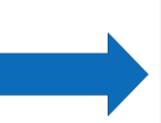
Enrollment, attendance, grades, course credit, assessments, and student discipline data all play a unique role in providing early warning indicators to identify the need for progress monitoring and interventions to support equitable academic outcomes. This section will provide best practices, strategies, and resources to support development of a multi-faceted academic transition plan.

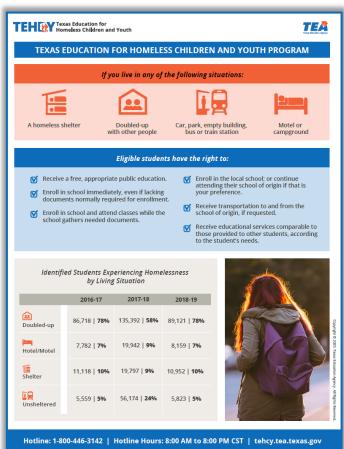


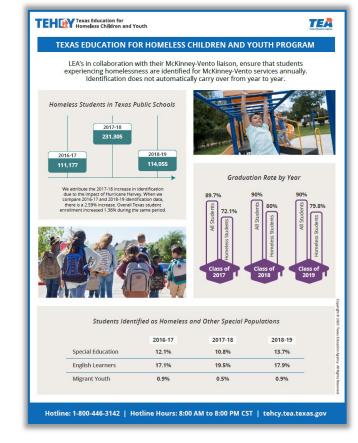
#### Practices and Strategies for Enrollment and Attendance

- Provide a list of students identified as highly mobile, at-risk, or other special student populations (e.g. Homeless, Foster Care, Military-Connected, Special Education, etc.) to district and campus staff.
- □ Develop a priority student list for the 2020-2021 school year for re-enrollment.

# NEW TEHCY Program Infographic







2017-2019 TEHCY Program Infographic





# **Purple Star Campus Designation**



116 Schools Awarded in SY 20-21

Applications will open in AprilJune 2021

 Schools who have received the designation must reapply every 2 years.

# **Pregnancy Related Services FAQ Update**



SY 20-21 Pregnancy Related Services FAQ January 28, 2021



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Local Education Agencies (LEAs) throughout Texas offer Pregnancy Related Services (PRS) supports, including Compensatory Education Home Instruction (CEHI), for eligible students during pregnancy and postpartum periods. These programs are designed to help students stay in school and adjust academically, mentally, and physically.

This FAQ will equip educators with determining how to navigate PRS and CEHI services during remote (asynchronous or synchronous) instruction for the 2020-2021 school year.

UPDATED 1/28/21 1. What are the requirements to earn full-day funding for general ed homebound and PRS CEHI students and how should attendance be reported?

When in-home instruction cannot be provided due to COVID-19, students who had been receiving instruction at home should be served through the LEA's remote synchronous or asynchronous instructional methods. While students are served through one of these methods, attendance should be reported in accordance with the rules for each method described in the <u>SY 20-21 Attendance and Enrollment FAQ</u>. PRS students who receive CEHI services through a remote synchronous or asynchronous method can continue to earn career and technical education (CTE) contact hours, as long as CTE instruction continues while remote instruction is provided.

See SY 20-21 Attendance and Enrollment FAQ, page 42

UPDATED 1/28/21 2. Does the LEA need to submit a Wavier if CEHI services will be provided through a remote synchronous or asynchronous method?

No. The LEA does not need to submit a waiver if CEHI services will be provided through a remote synchronous or asynchronous method. LEAs should document and address how they are going to serve their special populations students via remote instruction, in their learning plan (asynchronous) or under the attestation (synchronous).

UPDATED 1/28/21 3. If the LEA decides to provide CEHI services through a remote synchronous or asynchronous method, are teachers required to have 4 hours of CEHI services?

If the PRS student is receiving full-time remote instruction and the LEA is not providing in-home CEHI, the student does not necessarily need to receive 4 hours of weekly CEHI services from a PRS teacher. LEAs must ensure the remote instruction being provided meets the guidelines set forth in the LEA's approved learning plan (asynchronous) or under the LEA's submitted attestation (for synchronous). LEA's are expected to provide additional PRS program support to students, as needed. LEAs must retain all required PRS documentation and ensure the PRS indicator is removed at the conclusion of the six-week postpartum period (or ten weeks with a doctor's note).

New guidance for students receiving remote instruction

- Funding
- Program Requirements
  - Waivers



# **Human Trafficking Prevention and Awareness TAA**



Commissioner Mike Morath

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DATE:	December 17, 2020
SUBJECT:	Human Trafficking Prevention and Awareness Requirements and Mandatory Reporting Reminders
CATEGORY:	Child welfare and safety
NEXT STEPS:	Share with appropriate staff

There are new requirements concerning human trafficking prevention and awareness added to policy that governs child abuse and neglect reporting, training, and related protocols (TAC § 61.1051), as well as new training requirements for School Boards of Trustees and Superintendents.

This letter serves as a notification of new requirements and shares resources currently available. Please note that additional information and resources are in development.

As a reminder, <u>all</u> educators are mandatory reporters who are required to report suspicions of child abuse and neglect, including trafficking of a child, within 48 hours. (Texas Family Code, § 261.101.) As districts navigate both remote and in-person learning environments, it is critical for teachers and school staff to remain vigilant in their identification and reporting of these concerns.

TEA created a <u>checklist</u> with the <u>Title IV</u>, <u>Part A School Safety Initiative</u> to assist school leaders with understanding these requirements and to identify resources.

#### School Board Members:

- Must receive one hour of training every two years effective May 2020. The effective date of this requirement was moved to January 31, 2021, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- For more information see: <u>TEA COVID-19 SY 20-21 School Board FAQ</u>
- Training must be provided by a registered provider, authorized provider, or Lone Star Governance (LSG) coach: <u>TEA School Board Trustee Training Webpage</u>.

#### Superintendents:

- Effective September 1, 2019, an individual who holds a superintendent certificate that is renewed on or after January 1, 2021, must complete at least two and a half hours of training every five years on identifying and reporting potential victims of sexual abuse, human trafficking, and other maltreatment of children, in accordance with TEC § 21.054(h).
- For more information on approved training providers visit Continuing Professional Education.

#### Commissioner Rule (TAC § 61.1051) Updates and Reminders:

- TEA amended the child abuse prevention, mandatory reporting, and training requirements in TAC § 61.1051(d)(1) to include Human Trafficking (effective 11/6/19).
- Each school district and open-enrollment charter school must adopt and implement policies concerning sexual abuse, trafficking, and other maltreatment of children (this includes providing child abuse anti-victimization programs in elementary and secondary schools).
- Training must be provided to all new school employees and all other staff not previously trained on prevention techniques for, and recognition of, sexual abuse, trafficking, and all other

• All TEA resources in one place

- Equip educators to recognize the signs of child abuse, neglect, and human trafficking
  - Guidance for reporting
  - A toolkit for educators
  - Free training modules





# 2021 Virtual Title III Symposium Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>

Over 1,000 Attended in 2019!

This year's virtual symposium will focus on increasing collaborative efforts in driving achievement of our English learners.

EnglishLearnerSupport@tea.texas.gov

#### **Audience Strands:**

- Teachers
- Administrators
- Families of ELs (NEW)

# WE WANT TO OFFER YOU AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT!

(More information to come)







# **TEHCY McKinney-Vento 201 Trainings**

A more in-depth training on McKinney-Vento enrollment, identification, and dispute resolution process. The TEHCY Support Center will be providing three statewide trainings via Zoom. Please register in advance!

Thursday, February 11 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm CST

Wednesday, February 17 10:30 am - 12:00 pm CST

Thursday, February 25 11:30 am - 1:00 pm CST



# **Upcoming Trainings and Events**



Prevention and Awareness of Human Trafficking Statewide Webinar Series

- Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> Crime Stoppers
- Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> Child Advocacy Centers (CAC)

Texas Gateway Human Trafficking Module - Available now!



## Highly Mobile and At-Risk Webinars

Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>

Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>

1:00 – 2:30 pm

1:00 - 2:30 pm



# **Upcoming Trainings and Events**



# **ESC 2 School Safety Conference**

Friday, February 5, 2021 – Texas School Mental Health Toolkit
 Preview

## Texas School Counselor Association Conference

- Monday, February 8, 2021 Keynote Address
- Monday, February 8, 2021 Texas School Mental Health Toolkit Preview

# **ESC 13 School Safety Conference**

 Wednesday, March 3, 2021 – Texas School Mental Health Toolkit Preview



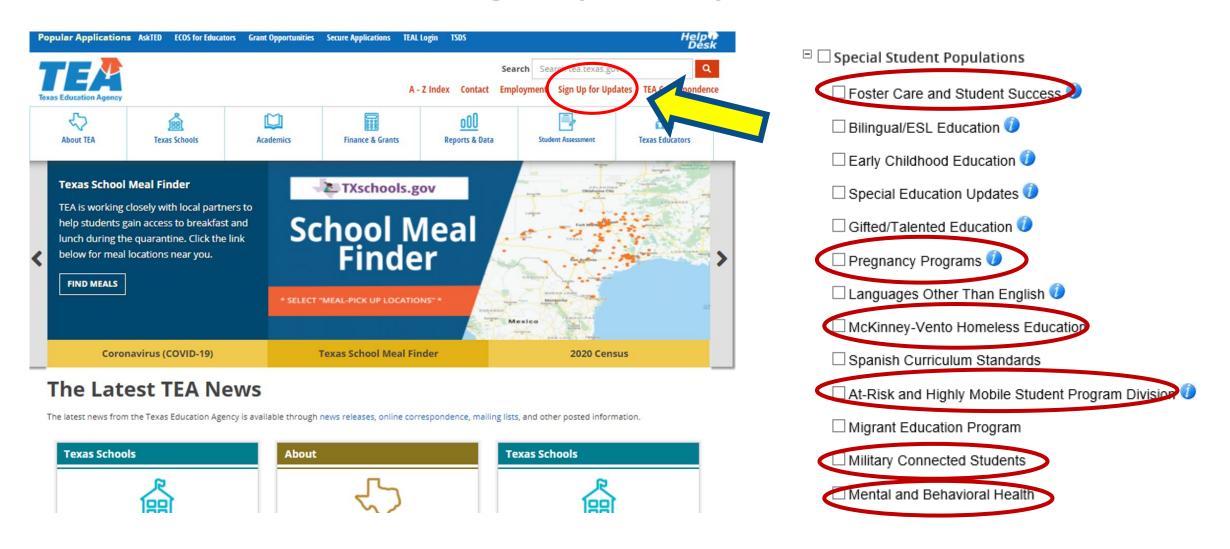


## PROTECT Texas

A human trafficking prevention education and training program designed to reduce the vulnerability of exploitation.

- Three-part <u>PROTECT Texas online</u> training modules for those working with youth:
  - 1. An Introduction to Child Exploitation
  - 2. Understanding Vulnerability and Trauma
  - 3. Red Flags, Reporting, and Implementing Prevention Education
- Courses are FREE through the end of February!

# Sign Up for Updates!





# **Happy National School Counseling Week**

