

Special Education Corrective Action Plan – Focus Groups

Attention: Teachers / Service Providers

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 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 targeting district leaders, families, teachers and service providers, and students. These meetings will be held in all 20 Education Service Center (ESC) regions in the state prior to the final plan being submitted to OSEP on April 18, 2018.

Region 16 is assisting TEA in providing notice to **interested educators** of the following meeting opportunity and registration directions. The one-hour meeting will be structured to solicit targeted feedback from participants regarding TEA's initial draft plan.

Focus Group Membership Requirements	Teachers and/or service providers to include both general and special educators who are currently employed in a public school district or charter school and <i>currently working with students</i> , located within Region 16.
Selection and Registration	<p>Click on link to register Session # 657096</p> <p>Meeting is limited to 25 participants. Registration spots will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.</p> <p>Registration closes 2-20-18</p>

TEA Educator Focus Group Meeting Agenda		
Location: Canyon ISD District Support Center 3301 N. 23 rd Street Canyon, TX. 79015 (Mockingbird Room)	Date: 2-26-18	Time: 3:45 – 4:45pm
Agenda	Time	Purpose/Outputs
Welcome and Overview	15 minutes	Concise information given to group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understanding 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 on targeted questions idea consensus into formalized written feedback
Closing Remarks	15 minutes	Close conversations and communicate next steps

- These meetings are closed to media and the public to protect the privacy of students and families.

Additional opportunities for stakeholders to provide general comments and feedback on the plan:

- Complete [USDE Corrective Action Draft Plan Online Survey](#) by February 18, 2018.
- Email TEA at TexasSPED@tea.texas.gov at any time during the plan's development.