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SFA Educator Preparation Advisory Council

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Educator Preparation Program

Challenging Minds, Changing Lives -
One Lumberjack at a Time



Welcome

- Approval of summary notes
- Dr. Abbott ---News & Updates
 - SFA
 - Educator Preparation
 - Perkins College of Education





EPP Advisory Council Purpose

- TO ASSURE THAT APPROPRIATE STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDING SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS ARE INVOLVED IN PROGRAM EVALUATION, IMPROVEMENT, AND IDENTIFICATION OF MODELS OF EXCELLENCE.



A purple-tinted background image of a statue of Abraham Lincoln, standing and facing forward, with his hands clasped in front of him.

Stakeholder Discussion and Feedback

EPP Admission GPA

Content Test

What skills do teachers
need now post-Covid?



Clinical Teacher Pathways and Partnerships

- Clinical Teaching Recruitment Workshop
 - Hosted by Michelle Miller, Clinical Teaching Coordinator
- Strategies that are working for districts
 - Guest Speakers
 - Mesquite ISD
 - Brazosport ISD



Clinical Teacher Pathways and Partnerships Continued

- TCLAS Grant
 - [Texas COVID Learning Acceleration Supports \(TCLAS\) | Texas Education Agency](#)
- Discussion and brainstorming of strategies



TEA Updates

edTPA



edTPA Pilot Implementation

**Year 1
(19-20)**

- 27 EPPs
- 419 candidate portfolio submissions

ACT RGV
Alamo College
Arlington Baptist University
Austin Community College District
Harris County Department of Education
Houston ISD
Inspire Texas, Region 4 Education Service Center
iTeach
McLennan Community College
North American University
Our Lady of the Lake University
Prairie View A&M University
Region 1 Education Service Center
Region 2 Education Service Center

**Year 2
(20-21)**

- 34 EPPs
- 846 candidate portfolio submissions

Region 10 Education Service Center
Region 19 Education Service Center
Region 20 Education Service Center
Rice University
Stephen F. Austin State University
St. Mary's University
Sul Ross University
Tarleton State University
Teaching Excellence
Texas A&M University
Texas A&M University – Commerce
Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi
Texas A&M University – San Antonio

**Year 3
(21-22)**

- 40 EPPs
- ~2,000 candidate portfolio submissions

Texas A&M University – Texarkana
Texas Tech University
TNTP Academy
Trinity University
University of Houston
University of Houston – Victoria
University of Texas at Dallas
University of Texas at El Paso
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
University of Texas at San Antonio
Urban Teachers
Wayland Baptist University
Web Centric Alternative Certification Program

Updated Proposed edTPA Implementation Timeline based on SBEC and Stakeholder Feedback

Requirements	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
edTPA required?	No (edTPA an option alongside PPR)	Yes	Yes
edTPA official passing score for candidates implemented?	No (pass/fail only)	No (pass/fail only)	Yes
edTPA pass rate included in EPP ASEP accountability?	No (edTPA pass rate not included in ASEP)	Yes (edTPA pass rate included in ASEP, pass/fail only)	Yes (edTPA pass rates included in ASEP, official passing score implemented)



Flexibility in Selecting an edTPA Assessment

- Educators can be issued a probationary or standard certificate in more than one certification category by passing only **one** edTPA certification exam.
- Allow candidates to select an edTPA exam based on their instructional context:
 - Eight edTPA exams as pedagogy exam options for the Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading (STR): EC-6 certificate.

Plan to Address Cost Concerns

- Candidates will receive a \$30 rebate after receiving their edTPA scores
- Allocation of financial assistance waivers
- Program-purchased edTPA vouchers
 - This option would allow programs to embed the edTPA fee into the program for candidates to use other financial resources to pay the exam fee.
 - Associated resources and tools for programs.
- Longer-term: Consider updates to exam design to potentially lower overall number of exams required for some certificates

LEA & EPP Communication and Support Plan

LEA

- Release To the Administrator Address (TAA) Letter, [edTPA Teacher Certification Examination Pilot](#)
- Provide LEAs with information about edTPA and the edTPA implementation timeline (e.g., via [TEA Website/Texas' edTPA Pilot Page](#))
- Provide centralized support email address (TxTPASupport@tea.texas.gov)
- Provide edTPA webinars for LEAs (e.g., [Texas Teachers Who Support Teacher Candidates](#))
- Communicate with LEA-facing professional organizations
- Develop LEA-facing informational one-pagers and FAQs
- Provide informational webinar series
- Develop edTPA workshop series for ESCs

EPP

Similar supports as noted for LEAs in addition to the following:

- Provide informational webinar series
 - edTPA 101
 - edTPA Task Deep Dives
- Provide workshop series for EPPs ([spring 2022](#), summer 2022 and 2022-23 academic year)
 - edTPA Data Deep Dives
 - Curriculum Inquiry
 - Academic Language
 - Evaluating Candidate Performance
- Offer new workshops and webinars (based on Texas' EPP needs) beyond the 2022-23 academic year
- Establish network of individualized support with edTPA Regional Coordinators and broader edTPA community

How's it going?

How can we help?

- SFA Teacher Job Fair
 - Center for Career and Professional Development
 - Register at [Handshake \(joinhandshake.com\)](https://joinhandshake.com)
- Let us help you promote your upcoming job fairs
 - Email information to edcertfield@sfasu.edu



SFA Spring 2022 Teacher Job Fair

April 1st, 10:00am – 1:00pm

BPSC

Grand and Twilight Ballrooms

<https://www.sfasu.edu/ccpd>

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Next Meeting:

Fall 2022

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