

August 1, 2013

TO THE ADMINISTRATOR ADDRESSED:

SUBJECT: Status of No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements

Section 1119 of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) requires that all core academic subject area teachers should have met the highly qualified (HQ) teacher requirements by the end of the 2006-2007 school year. Based on the Texas Education Agency's (TEA or agency) review of the 2012-2013 local education agency (LEA) highly qualified teacher data, the state is close to meeting this goal but it has not been met statewide. Section 2141 of NCLB requires the implementation of interventions with LEAs that have not yet met this goal.

The attachments listed below are provided to update you on the status of the highly qualified teacher requirements and the agency's plans for continued implementation and improvement toward this NCLB requirement.

- Attachment 1: Campus Reporting of Highly Qualified Teacher Compliance Report as of September 16, 2013 (2013-2014 Highly Qualified Teacher Data)—Due Date November 15, 2013
- Attachment 2: LEA Public Reporting of Progress in Meeting Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements (2013-2014 Highly Qualified Teacher Data)—Due Date December 16, 2013
- Attachment 3: Principal's Attestation of Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements (2013-2014 Highly Qualified Teacher Data)—Due Date December 16, 2013
- Attachment 4: LEA Consequences for Not Reaching 100% Highly Qualified Teachers Section 2141 Interventions
- Attachment 5: Completing the Highly Qualified Teacher Focused Data Analysis (HQTFDA) and Highly Qualified Teacher Continuous Improvement Plan (HQTICIP)
- Attachment 6: Validation of 2013-2014 Highly Qualified Data Submitted by LEA Campuses
- Attachment 7: Documentation of Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements
- Attachment 8: Highly Qualified Requirements and Difficulties in Renewing and Issuing Educator Certificates

The agency will continue to provide updated information on highly qualified requirements through the *NCLB Update* listserv that is disseminated to school districts. To subscribe to the *NCLB Update*, go to <http://miller.tea.state.tx.us/list> and select "No Child Left Behind" from the dropdown box and click on the "Join or Leave" button. At the second screen, enter your email address and name and click on the "Join the List" button.

If you have questions regarding this highly qualified information, please contact the Highly Qualified Teacher Unit in the Division of Educator Preparation at (512) 463-9213.

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Attachments