

## Texas Success Initiative Assessment



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## Texas Success Initiative

- The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requires a student to be ready for college-level course work in the general areas of reading, writing and mathematics.
- Texas law requires all entering college students to be assessed for college readiness in reading, writing, and math unless the student qualifies for an exemption.
- Each student who does not meet college-readiness must be provided with a plan for academic success which may include corequisite or other developmental education courses/ interventions.



## Demonstration of College Readiness and TSI Exemptions

- TSIA scores
- ACT scores
- SAT scores
- STAAR EOC – English III and Algebra II (4000)
- HS College Preparatory Course
- Successful completion of a college-level course accepted by the institution (i.e. dual credit)



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## Texas Success Initiative Assessment (TSIA)

### Current Step

- Texas has been using TSIA since 2013, with over one million test administrations to date
- The current (no cost) testing contract ends August 31, 2018
- Staff is requesting approval to extend the current contract for two additional years
- An extension will provide continuity during the implementation of House Bill 2223 and will provide sufficient time for the solicitation and awarding of a new contract

### Next Step

- Issue a Request for Proposals for the development and implementation of a new classification and diagnostic assessment instrument for the Texas Success Initiative
- New assessment would launch in Fall of 2020



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