

HOUSE BILL 4545 – ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION PLAN

GENERAL INFORMATION

- An accelerated instruction plan is now required for any student who was in grades 3, 5, or 8 last school year who did not achieve a satisfactory score on the STAAR assessment in reading and/or math. The requirement also applies to the required end-of-course high school STAAR assessments in reading and math. This includes students who took the STAAR-Alternate 2 assessment.
- Satisfactory performance on the STAAR is defined as the student receiving a score in one of these categories:
 - Approaches grade level (passing)
 - Meets grade level (passing)
 - Masters grade level (passing)
- A student scoring below grade level did not pass the assessment and must be considered for an Accelerated Instruction Plan.

•	The Accelerated Instruction Plan will be created by an Accelerated Learning Committee.
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ACCELERATED LEARNING COMMITTEE (ALC)	ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION PLAN
 For students with an Individual Education Plan (IEP), the ARD committee will serve as the ALC. The requirement for an ARD committee cannot be waived. Any student in grades 3, 5 or 8 who did not perform a satisfactory score on the STAAR or STAAR Alternate 2 must participate in Accelerated Instruction. Parents are a required member of the ARD committee. 	 Accelerated instruction must be at least one time per week for at least 30 minutes per session until the student has received 30 hours of instruction. Accelerated instruction can be delivered in a small group, but the group can be no larger than three students. Parents must agree for the student to be in a group of more than three students. The time for accelerated instruction cannot be instead of the student's regular reading and/or math instruction. It must be additional instruction. The intent of the instruction is to help the student pass the next administration of the STAAR reading and/or math. Therefore, the content will reflect instruction in the grade level standards/objectives.

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