

## Texas Consortium on School Research: Fall 2010 Meeting

**Thursday, October 28, 2010**

**10:00 am – 4:30 p.m.**

The Westin Galleria Houston

Meeting convened by **REL Southwest at Edvance Research, Inc.**

<b>9:30 am – 10:00 am</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>10:00 am – 10:10 am</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; What We Have Accomplished So Far</b> Dean Nafziger, <i>Lab Director, REL Southwest at Edvance Research</i>
<b>10:10 am – 10:30 am</b>	<b>ERC Update, Goals of TCSR, &amp; Steering Committee Update</b> Dan O'Brien, <i>Director, University of Texas at Dallas Education Research Center</i> Laural Logan-Fain, <i>Associate Director Texas Consortium on School Research, REL Southwest at Edvance Research</i> Celani Dominguez, <i>Executive Director of Assessment &amp; Accountability, Southwest ISD</i> Dash Weerasinghe, <i>Director of Assessment &amp; Accountability, Plano ISD</i>
<b>Objective(s):</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To develop a common understanding of the TCSR goals</li> <li>To provide an update of the inaugural meeting of the TCSR Steering Committee</li> </ul>
<b>10:30 am – 2:15 pm</b>	<b>Building Research Capacity: What TCSR Districts Are Doing</b> Each district presentation will include a 15-minute presentation; 5-minute peer/research review; and 5-minute audience Question & Answer session. Stacy Daugherty, <i>Development Manager, REL Southwest at Edvance Research</i>
10:30 am – 11:00 am	<b>Galena Park ISD: GPISD Scholars' Academy: Preparing a New Generation for Academic Success</b> Crockett DuBose, <i>Chief of Staff</i> Darrell McWhorter, <i>Program Director</i> <b>Reviewer:</b> Donald Barfield, <i>Associate Lab Director, REL Southwest at Edvance Research</i>
11:00 am – 11:30 am	<b>Conroe ISD: High School Allotment Funds and a District Level Program that Works</b> Sherry Sunderman, <i>Coordinator of Guidance &amp; Counseling</i> Imee Villarreal, <i>College Readiness Specialist</i> <b>Reviewer:</b> Eric Rolfhus, <i>Research Scientist, REL Southwest at Edvance Research</i>
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Fort Worth ISD—College and Career Readiness: Listening to Student Voice</b> Sara Arispe, <i>Executive Director, Accountability and Data Quality</i> Chad Davis, <i>Director, Data Analysis &amp; Reporting</i> <b>Reviewer:</b> Jim Parsons, <i>Assistant Director, University of Texas at Dallas Education Research Center</i>
<b>12:00 pm – 12:30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch Served</b>

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12:30 pm – 1:00 pm **Southwest ISD: Dropouts and Student Voice: School Dropout Factors and Dropout Interventions**

Celani Dominguez, *Executive Director for Assessment & Research*

**Reviewer:** Nicholas Montgomery, *Associate Director, Data Use and Tool Development, The Consortium on Chicago School Research (CCSR)*

1:00 pm – 1:30 pm **El Paso ISD: Student Mobility Is an Indicator for College Readiness**

Yinuo Du, *Senior Evaluator*

Carlos Perales, *Researcher*

James Steinhauser, *Assistant Superintendent, Research & Evaluation*

**Reviewer:** Chuck Wilkins, *Director, Statistics and Evaluation Research, REL Southwest at Edvance Research*

1:30 pm – 2:00 pm **Dallas ISD: Middle Grades Indicators of High School Success**

Cecilia Oakeley, *Executive Director of Evaluation & Accountability*

Dorothea Weir, *Manager, Office of Applied Research*

**Reviewer:** Christopher Mazzeo, *Consultant*

**2:00 pm – 2:25 pm Small Group Discussion**

**2:25 pm – 2:30 pm Wrap Up**

Jenifer Hartman, *Director, Practice-Based Research, REL Southwest at Edvance Research*

**Objective(s):**

- To learn about research TCSR districts are conducting and learn from the researcher/peer review process in order to build district capacity
- To build a community of practice among practitioners and researcher

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**2:30 – 2:45 Break**

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**2:45 pm – 3:15 pm Making Use of Freshman Data**

Nicholas Montgomery, *Associate Director, Data Use and Tool Development, The Consortium on Chicago School Research (CCSR)*

Christopher Mazzeo, *Consultant*

**3:15 pm – 4:00 pm Small & Large Group Activity**

**Objective(s):**

- To provide an opportunity for districts to analyze and interpret data in ways that can impact usability

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**4:00 pm – 4:20 pm Are Texas English Language Arts and Reading Standards College Ready?**

Eric Rolfhus, *Research Scientist, REL Southwest at Edvance Research*

**4:20 pm – 4:30 pm Question & Answer Session**

**Objective(s):**

- To facilitate the understanding and use of quality research
- To better understand how the Texas ELAR Standards compare with the America Diploma Project and ACT standards in content and complexity

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**4:30 pm Reception**

**Closing Remarks**

Dean Nafziger, *Director, REL Southwest at Edvance Research*

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