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Student Success Initiative

(SSI)

March 1, 2010

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Student Success Initiative

- Enacted by the 76th Texas Legislature-1999
- Modified by the 81st Texas Legislature-2009
- Goal is to ensure that all students receive the instruction and support they need to be academically successful.



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- **Requirements**
 - Pass Math TAKS
 - Pass Reading TAKS
- **Test Dates**
 - Math-April 6, 2010
 - Reading-April 7, 2010
- **Passing Scale Score is 2100**

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- **Goal is to have all students pass on first administration**
- **What happens if a student does not pass?**
 - Provide accelerated instruction
 - 30 minutes per day inside the school day
 - 10 to 1 student to teacher ratio
 - Highly qualified teacher (not a sub)
 - Instruction is skill specific to areas of weakness



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- **Supports currently in place**
 - Advisory pullout tutoring (small group)
 - TAKS Math
 - B.A.S.E. Camp
 - Tutoring pullout of electives (individual)
 - Math packets sent home from counselor
 - Boot Camp 4:00-5:00 p.m. every Thursday.



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- **Suggestions to improve student performance (things to work on at home)**
 - Attendance
 - Homework
 - Monitor Grades (InTouch)
 - Teach Student How to Study
 - Parent Tutoring
 - Monitor T.V./Video Games



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- What if students are not successful after first administration?
- Begin accelerated instruction
- Re-Test
 - 2nd administration Math-May 17th
 - 2nd administration Reading-May 18th

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- Students who are not successful after **second** administration.
- Grade Placement Committee (GPC) Held
 - Parent
 - Teacher
 - Administrator
 - Student attends Extended Year (EY) 14 days of instruction
 - June 9-June 30 (Math re-test June 29)(Reading re-test June 30)
 - 7:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.



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- **Extended Year**
 - Instruction delivered by a highly qualified teacher.
 - Student to teacher ratio is 10 to 1
 - Attendance is important
 - Students can only miss one day
 - More than one then student is above 90% rule

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- Students who are not successful after **third** administration.
- Student retained in 8th grade automatically
- Parent may appeal the decision within five days of receiving retention notice.



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- **Grade Placement Committee (GPC) Held**
 - Parent
 - Teacher
 - Administrator
 - Committee may decide to place student in 9th grade
 - Only if all members agree
 - Student may be required to receive additional instruction to be promoted

Resources:

http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index3.aspx?id=3839&menu_id=793



Questions?