



Texas Literacy Initiative Newsletter

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TLI GOALS

- Increase the oral language and preliteracy skills of participating preschool children.
- Improve the performance of participating K-2 students on early reading assessments.
- Increase the percentage of participating students who meet or exceed proficiency on the state English language arts assessments in grades 3 through 12.
- Increase the use of data and data analysis to inform all decision making in participating districts, campuses, classrooms, and early learning settings.
- Increase the implementation of effective literacy instructing

TLI WEB RESOURCES



Van Gross Center for Reading/
Meadows Center
<http://www.meadowscenter.org/vgc/>
Texas State Lit. Plan Resources
Online
<https://www.tslpresource.org/>
Texas Read Source
<http://www.texasreadsource.org>
EdPubs.Gov
<http://www.edpubs.gov/>
Project Share
<http://www.projectsharetexas.org/>

TLI Highlights



What is the Texas State Literacy Plan

The goal of the Texas State Literacy Plan is to ensure that every Texas child is strategically prepared for the literacy demands of college and/or career by high school graduation. To achieve this goal, the plan centers on the integration and alignment of early language and pre-literacy skills for age 0 to school entry and on reading and writing instruction for students in grades K-12. The TSLP is a framework of six essential components: Leadership, Assessment, Standards-based Instruction, Effective Instructional Framework, Reporting and Accountability and Sustainability (LASERS).



Lasers

Each LASER component consists of a Summary Statement and three to eleven Key Action Steps. Currently, BISD campuses are working on the Leadership component of the LASERS Framework. Each campus' Campus Based Leadership Team (CBLT) will take an implementation inventory which enables them to develop their own individualized Data Improvement Plan.

Communication Component

- **Weekly** TLI teacher specialist must attend training/planning/reporting/disaggregation of data meetings with district-wide literacy personnel on Fridays
- **Bi-monthly** Cluster Literacy Line meetings
- **Monthly** Literacy Line meetings to collaborate on Assigned TLI Projects
- **Monthly**-Campus CBLT meetings to develop Data Improvement Plan (DIP)

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- Oct 13 Language Arts Training:
- Oct 15 High School Open House
- Oct 16 Middle School Open House
- Oct 18 Elementary Open House
- Oct 20 Leadership Conference for Aspiring Principals

Professional Development Activities/Goals

- TLI Grant Overview
- TLI Grant Walkthrough
- RTI Response to Intervention
- Reading Institute Strategies
- STAAR Information Booklet/ Figure 19



Parents' Corner

Parents can help their children improve their literacy with these useful computer links which will allow them to receive free books.

- <http://www.starfall.com/>
- <http://www.edpubs.gov/>
- <http://pbskids.org/>
- <http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/student-activities>



Rivera Literacy Line Teachers

Teacher Specialist at their bi-monthly meeting.

LASERS ON LITERACY



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