

Amend CSHB 1 as follows:

(1) On page III-16 of the Texas Education Agency's bill pattern, amend existing Rider 43, Student Success Initiative/Community Partnerships, as follows:

43. Student Success Initiative/Community Partnerships. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.1, Statewide Educational Programs, the commissioner shall expend \$5,500,000 in general revenue in fiscal year 2020 and \$5,500,000 in fiscal year 2021 for the Student Success Initiative/Community Partnerships. ~~[The commissioner shall award grants to schools with high percentages of students who do not perform satisfactorily on relevant state assessments, and that serve the most struggling neighborhoods, as determined by the commissioner, to implement a comprehensive support program that increases the number of students performing on grade level by leveraging academic, community, and governmental supports. The commissioner shall prioritize issuing awards based on applications that demonstrate a commitment to improved outcomes on clear performance measures.]~~ The commissioner shall award grants to schools with high percentages of students who do not perform satisfactorily as determined by local school districts, and that serve the most struggling neighborhoods, as determined by the percentage of students determined to be economically disadvantaged, to implement a comprehensive support program that increases the number of students performing on grade level by leveraging academic, community, and governmental supports. The commissioner shall prioritize issuing awards based on applications that demonstrate a commitment to improved outcomes on clear performance measures, but shall not base this determination solely on standardized test scores.

The commissioner may require any entity with which the Texas Education Agency contracts for purposes of administering the programs under this rider to provide any expenditure and performance data deemed necessary to assess the success of the program.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2020, are hereby appropriated to fiscal year 2021 for the same purpose.