# Texas Projection Measure (TPM) for TAKS

## *Application*

### FAQs

**1. How can the TPM be useful to parents, teachers, and administrators?**
The TPM provides information about

- how individual students and groups of students are likely to perform in the next high-stakes grade after receiving content-area instruction; and
- how each student's projection compares with performance defined as Met Standard and Commended Performance in the projection grade.

This information can be used to classify students into four possible categories with respect to Met Standard:

- Achieved Met Standard and projected to meet standard in the projection grade
- Achieved Met Standard but not projected to meet standard in the projection grade
- Did not achieve Met Standard but projected to meet standard in the projection grade
- Did not achieve Met Standard and not projected to meet standard in the projection grade

Similarly, this information can be used to classify students into four possible categories for Commended Performance:

- Achieved Commended Performance and projected to achieve Commended Performance in the projection grade
- Achieved Commended Performance but not projected to achieve Commended Performance in the projection grade
- Did not achieve Commended Performance but projected to achieve Commended Performance in the projection grade
- Did not achieve Commended Performance and not projected to achieve Commended Performance in the projection grade

The table below presents the four Met Standard categories in a 2 x 2 table. TPM information can similarly be used to classify students with respect to current and projected Commended Performance.

| | | **TPM Projected Score** | |
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| | | **Projected to Meet Standard** | **Projected Not to Meet Standard** |
| **TAKS Score** | **Met Standard** | These students met the TAKS standard and are projected to meet the standard at the next high-stakes grade. | These students met the TAKS standard but are projected not to meet the standard at the next high-stakes grade. |
| | **Did Not Meet Standard** | These students did not meet the TAKS standard but are projected to meet the standard at the next high-stakes grade. | These students did not meet the TAKS standard and are not projected to meet the standard at the next high-stakes grade. |

**2. How can I calculate my student's TPM projection?**
The TPM for TAKS Calculator will provide a TPM projection for students in grades 9 and 10 with sufficient TAKS score data. More detailed information and step-by-step instructions for calculating TPM projections can be found in Calculating Projections with the Texas Projection Measure .