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Foreword

The Texas Records Exchange System (TREx) is a web-based application designed for the exchange of electronic student records and transcripts. By using the TREx application, school registrars have the ability to electronically request and receive student records for students who have attended or will be attending Texas public schools. High school registrars and counselors also have the ability to electronically create and send official student transcripts to Texas public colleges and universities using the UT SPEEDE server.

TEA developed TREx in response to TEC 7.010 which requires all Texas public school districts, open enrollment charter schools, and Texas public colleges and universities to participate in a system for the electronic transmission of student education records.

Texas public school districts annually report all Grade 7-12 students leaving their districts. The data on school leavers include dropouts and are used to calculate dropout and high school completion rates for accountability purposes. More than half the students leaving districts move to other Texas public school districts. An automated student record exchange system enables districts to more effectively communicate with each other about students who are withdrawing or enrolling. Improved communication should improve the reliability of dropout rate calculations. Additionally, the automated system facilitates the rapid and appropriate academic placement of students enrolled in a new district and ensures continuity of services provided to students who move between Texas school districts.

The *TREx Data Standards* is intended to be used as a resource by all persons involved in the transfer of student records and transcripts using the TREx student record exchange process.

If you have any questions, please call the TREx Customer Support line at (512) 463-7246 or email TREx@tea.state.tx.us. Refer to the TREx website at http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=3190 for training materials or updates.

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