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TO THE ADMINISTRATOR ADDRESSED:

Subject: Texas Virtual School Network Catalog Course Providers Offer Additional Course Seats and Reduced Course Fees for Students and Schools Impacted by Hurricane Harvey

In response to the unexpected needs created by Hurricane Harvey, TXVSN catalog course providers are expanding the number of high school-level online course seats available for displaced students and impacted schools and offering reduced course fees on some courses.

Displaced students with a PEIMS crisis code and students enrolled in a school identified by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) as a Hurricane Harvey-impacted campus who enrolled in a reduced fee-course after the occurrence of the storm are eligible for the fee reduction. Campuses that received a TXVSN Rural Schools Grant award are not eligible for the reduced fees.

Course fee reductions and enrollment capacity vary by course provider and course title. Fee reductions for eligible students and schools apply to the specific TXVSN courses identified by the course provider, up to the course provider's enrollment capacity for that course. For details about courses offered at a reduced fee, contact the TXVSN help desk at (866) 938-9876 or email TXVSNCentral@TXVSN.org.

<u>Important Enrollment Deadline Notice for Fall 2017</u>—The enrollment deadline was extended to October 15, 2017 in response to Hurricane Harvey. This information replaces dates published in the catalog for fall 2017.

TXVSN operations and technical infrastructure are moving to TEA this fall, because of legislative changes. Migration of technical systems will require a temporary "freeze" of some functions. Therefore, no new enrollments for fall 2017 catalog courses will be allowed after **October 15, 2017**. Drop dates listed in the catalog will apply—with a drop date no later than **November 2, 2017**. This supersedes information currently published in the catalog and applies to all fall 2017 TXVSN catalog courses, including continuous enrollment, non-continuous enrollment, and accelerated pace high school courses, and Advanced Placement® and dual credit courses. Participation in TXVSN catalog courses a student was enrolled in by the October 15, 2017 deadline will not be impacted.

TEA extends a sincere thank-you to TXVSN catalog course providers for their support of Texas students and schools under these difficult circumstances.

Please contact the TXVSN help desk at (866) 938-9876 or email <u>TXVSNCentral@TXVSN.org</u> with questions or for assistance.

Sincerely,

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