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Not later than 15 school days after the date the LEA receives a written referral by the parent to the special education director or district administrative employee
19 TAC § 89.1011(b)
TEC § 29.004(c)

Not later than 45 school days following the date the LEA receives written, signed consent
19 TAC § 89.1011(c)
TEC § 29.004(a)

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3 years

Within * 30 calendar days on or before 1st day of school unless initial FIE indicates that student will need extended school year services during that summer
34 CFR § 300.323
19 TAC § 89.1011(d)

1 year

Within 30 school days of verification
34 CFR § 300.323
19 TAC § 89.1050(j)

Notice and Consent for Reevaluation
34 CFR § 300.9
34 CFR § 300.300
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)
TEC § 29.0041

must be notified five school days before evaluation, less time with parent's agreement
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

Initial Referral
34 CFR § 300.301
19 TAC § 89.1011(a)

Notice and Consent or Refusal to Provide Initial Evaluation
34 CFR § 300.9
34 CFR § 300.300
34 CFR § 300.304
34 CFR § 300.503
19 TAC § 89.1011(b)
TEC § 29.0041

Initial Evaluation Completed
34 CFR § 300.301
34 CFR § 300.304
34 CFR § 300.306
19 TAC § 89.1011
TEC § 29.003
TEC § 29.004

Notice of ARDC Meeting
34 CFR § 300.322
19 TAC § 89.1050(d)

Eligibility Determination Made by ARDC
34 CFR § 300.8
34 CFR § 300.306
34 CFR § 300.323
19 TAC § 89.1040
19 TAC § 89.1050
TEC § 29.005

Student Transfers provide comparable services
34 CFR § 300.323
19 TAC § 89.1050(j)

ARDC Meeting for Transfer Students to adopt IEP or to develop, adopt and implement new IEP
34 CFR § 300.323
19 TAC § 89.1050(j)

Annual IEP Review
34 CFR § 300.324

Three-Year Reevaluation
34 CFR § 300.303
34 CFR § 300.304
34 CFR § 300.305

Dismissal/ Graduation or no longer meets age eligibility
34 CFR § 300.102
19 TAC § 89.1035
19 TAC § 89.1070

Response to Intervention (RtI)
34 CFR § 300.306(b)(1)
34 CFR § 300.309(b)(1)
19 TAC § 89.1011(a)

Prior Written Notice
34 CFR § 300.503
19 TAC § 89.1011(b)
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

Prior Written Notice
34 CFR § 300.503
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

Consent for Initial Placement
34 CFR § 300.9
34 CFR § 300.300

Prior Written Notice
34 CFR § 300.503
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

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34 CFR § 300.503
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

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as soon as possible after initial referral or at least five school days before the initial ARDC meeting
TEC § 26.0081

must be notified five school days before evaluation, less time with parent's agreement
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

must be notified five school days before meeting, less time with parent's agreement
19 TAC § 89.1050(d)

must be notified five school days before implementing IEP, less time with parent's agreement
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

Initiation of Services if the parent signs consent for initial placement
34 CFR § 300.300
34 CFR § 300.323

must be notified five school days before implementing IEP, less time with parent's agreement
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

must be notified five school days before implementing IEP, less time with parent's agreement
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

State Transition Services not later than age 14
19 TAC § 89.1055
TEC § 29.011
TEC § 29.0111

must be notified five school days before implementing IEP, less time with parent's agreement
19 TAC § 89.1050(h)

Notice of Procedural Safeguards upon initial referral
34 CFR § 300.504

Notice of Procedural Safeguards refusal to provide evaluation
TEC § 29.004(c)(2)

Notice of Procedural Safeguards at least annually
34 CFR § 300.504

Notice of Procedural Safeguards upon parent request for evaluation
34 CFR § 300.504

Exceptions

- ♦ Parent repeatedly fails or refuses to produce the child for the evaluation [34 CFR § 300.301(d)(1)]; or
- ♦ Child who is enrolled in public school and transfers from another local educational agency (LEA) while the evaluation is pending (refer to Children who Transfer framework); or
- ♦ Child who is enrolled in public school and is absent three or more days during the evaluation period (extended by number of school days absent) [TEC 29.004(a)(1)]; 19 TAC § 89.1011(c)(i)]; or
- * ♦ Consent is received at least 35 but less than 45 school days before the end of the school year (due by June 30), and the initial ARDC to be held by the 15th school day of the following school year. If the child is absent three or more days during the period, the evaluation is due not later than 45 school days plus the number of days the child is absent [TEC § 29.004(a-1); TEC § 29.004(a)(1); 19 TAC § 89.1011(e); 19 TAC § 89.1011(c)(i)].