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Dr. Glenn Barnes Superintendent Aransas Pass ISD 748 W Goodnight Ave Aransas Pass, TX 78336

## Dear Superintendent Barnes:

This letter is to inform Aransas Pass ISD that the Texas Education Agency (TEA) has <u>approved</u> the 2024-2025 Provisional Designation application for Aransas Pass P-TECH Health Science Academy as a Provisional Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH).

Provisional Designation is awarded to campuses for a period of one school year, during which the campus may operate as a P-TECH. Provisional Designation is for a P-TECH in the first five school years of operation. Provisional Designation is designed to:

- Provide time for the P-TECH to grow cohorts, improve programming, and build strong partnerships.
- Allow the P-TECH to demonstrate its ability to fully and appropriately implement its plan in keeping with the requirements of the P-TECH blueprint.
- Allow P-TECH to receive technical assistance and participate in the P-TECH network.

As a reminder, all P-TECH campuses must:

- Enroll historically underserved students, targeting at-risk and economically disadvantaged students.
- Enable students to earn a high school diploma, along with an associate degree, Level 1 or Level 2 certificate, or industry-based certification within six years.
- Offer age-appropriate work-based learning opportunity at every grade level.
- Partner with Texas Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) giving students access to postsecondary education and outcomes.

Thank you for Aransas Pass ISD's hard work and dedication in providing opportunities for students to accelerate their learning and graduate from high school prepared for the postsecondary path of their choosing.

If you have questions or require additional information from the <u>CCRSM Network</u>, please email <u>ccrsm@tea.texas.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Mike Morath

Commissioner of Education

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Attachments cc: Josh Rombs