

## Math Instructional Framework Item of Information

1. Background:

The LASO Strong Foundations Planning Grant was an initiative designed to support Local Education Agencies (LEAs) in strengthening their math instructional practices. Funded through the Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities (LASO) grant it provides resources for districts to assess and improve their core instructional materials, professional development, and intervention strategies. The goal is to ensure that schools implement high-quality, evidence-based practices that align with the Texas Education Agency's (TEA) Strong Foundations framework, ultimately improving student outcomes in key academic areas.

2. Process:

This school year Southwest ISD received the LASO-Strong Foundations Planning Grant to support math acceleration for students in Kindergarten through 5th grade. The district was awarded \$250,000 to strengthen instructional capacity and improve student achievement in foundational math skills. In collaboration with the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (NIET), Southwest ISD developed a Math Instructional Framework, which was submitted to TEA. We are proud to announce that TEA accepted the framework and rated it as Exemplary. Moving forward, this framework will serve as a guiding tool for math instruction across the district, ensuring consistency and excellence in teaching practices.

3. Fiscal Impact:

NONE

4. Recommendation:

NONE

5. Required:

NONE