

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Education Service Center Region 6 (ESC Region 6)

and

Huntsville ISD Reading Academies for June 2026 Enrollment

I. PURPOSE

This MOU establishes the agreement between ESC Region 6 and Huntsville ISD for enrolling participants in Texas Reading Academies in accordance with House Bill 3.

II. TERM

This agreement shall remain in effect for the Texas Reading Academies June 2026 course enrollment term, including all required training sessions and reporting periods.

III. PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Texas Reading Academies Comprehensive Course

Participants:

- House Bill 3 (HB 3), passed by the 86th Texas Legislature in June of 2019, requires all kindergarten through third grade teachers and principals to attend a "teacher literacy achievement academy." For simplification and to avoid confusion with other grant programs and past literacy achievement academies, the Texas Education Agency refers to this requirement as the **HB 3 Reading Academies**. All K-3 teachers, including special education teachers, and principals are required to attend the HB 3 Reading Academies. Local Education Agencies (LEAs) continue to have authority to exempt educators who are not the teacher of record in required grade levels including art, health education, music, physical education, speech communication and theatre arts, or theatre teachers.
- Teachers and principals new to grades K-3 must enroll in Texas Reading Academies by the end of their first year of K-3 placement.

Training Structure:

- 10 in-person training sessions
 - 4 job-embedded coaching sessions
 - Artifacts and Designated Course Assessments (must earn a score of 80% or higher)
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IV. RESPONSIBILITIES OF ESC REGION 6

ESC Region 6 agrees to:

1. Serve as an Authorized Texas Reading Academies provider.
 2. Provide training dates and session options to participating LEAs.
 3. Provide all 10 in-person training sessions.
 4. Maintain attendance documentation.
 5. Provide 4 job-embedded coaching sessions.
 6. Communicate with the designated LEA Point of Contact.
 7. Provide invoices in alignment with the fee schedule below.
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V. RESPONSIBILITIES OF HUNTSVILLE ISD

The ISD agrees to:

1. Partner with ESC Region 6 as the Authorized Texas Reading Academies provider.
 2. Appoint a Reading Academies Point of Contact.
 3. Ensure all required educators are enrolled in Reading Academies by the end of their first year of K-3 placement.
 4. Ensure all required participants complete Texas Reading Academies.
 5. Adhere to HB 2 Stipend Requirements
 - Districts are required to provide stipends to teachers for Texas Reading Academies participation that occurs outside of their contracted days and/or hours, in accordance with House Bill 2.
 - Participants must receive prior district approval to attend any training or coaching sessions scheduled outside of their contract time.
 - The minimum stipend rate is \$50 per hour.
 - Districts are solely responsible for the management, processing, and disbursement of all participant stipends.
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VI. FEE SCHEDULE

Texas Reading Academies (ESC Region 6)

Service	Cost
Enrollment in Texas Reading Academies	\$3000 per participant

Included in Training Fee:

- All required in-person sessions
- Training materials
- All required job-embedded coaching sessions
- Attendance documentation

Not Included:

- Cost associated with release time such as substitute coverage.

- Travel expenses (if applicable)
- Stipends (if applicable, paid directly by district)

Payment Terms:

- ESC Region 6 will invoice the district after participant count confirmation.
 - Participant count is determined by Texas Reading Academies number of participants who enroll in the course and are in attendance for the first live session of the course.
 - Payment is due within 30 days of invoice.
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VII. TERMINATION

Either party may terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice. Termination does not relieve the ISD of statutory obligations tied to House Bill 3 Texas Reading Academies requirements, nor relieve the district of payment obligations to the ESC once Texas Reading Academies has commenced.

VIII. SIGNATURES

Education Service Center Region 6

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Huntsville ISD

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____