



## **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE MOU FOR TEACHER RESIDENCY STRATEGIC STAFFING GRANT WITH UTPB AND REGION 18 ESC TXCEE**

In March of 2023, the Texas Education Agency announced a grant competition for the 2023-25 Texas Strategic Staffing Grant for Sustainable, Paid Teacher Residency Programs. Grants will be awarded to Texas school districts to pay a portion of a district administrator's salary to work in collaboration with the local Education Service Center's Texas Strategic Staffing Technical Assistance Provider and an Educator Preparation Program on the Vetted Teacher Residency Program List. The purpose of the collaboration is to provide a planning process for beginning; or, to sustain the work of a Teacher Residency Program and to continue the Strategic Staffing Model.

ECISD is applying for the grant for the purpose of sustaining and potentially growing the Teacher Residency Program to alleviate teacher shortages and to plan for future staff openings and district needs. The MOU is between the TxCEE program at Region 18 Education Service Center, the Strategic Staffing Technical Assistance Provider; The University of Texas of the Permian Basin College of Education, the Educator Preparation Program on the Vetted Teacher Residency Program List; and, the Ector County ISD for the purpose of collaborative planning for the future of the Teacher Residency Program at Ector County ISD.