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Dear Education Service Center Board of Directors and Executive Directors:

This correspondence is written to inform Education Service Center (ESC) Board of Directors and executive directors that I am suspending the Regional Education Service Center Performance Standards and Indicators Manual referenced in 19 TAC §5.1021(b). As previously stated to executive directors, it is my plan to work with them during 2016-17 to establish new Performance Standards and Indicators for ESCs in accordance with TEC 8.101. In addition to modifying the Performance Standards and Indicators, it is also my intent to redesign the required annual evaluation process set forth in TEC 8.103.

If you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Megan Aghazadian 512-463-9190 or Megan.Aghazadian@tea.texas.gov. I look forward to working with executive directors in establishing Performance Standards and Indicators and an evaluation system that will be utilized during my tenure as Commissioner.

Sincerely,

Mike Morath

Commissioner of Education