



Educator Certification & Advancement - ECA

Board Presentation

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Who We Are

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About Us:

ECA is a state-approved and accredited educator preparation program that prepares the next generation of teachers and school and district leaders by offering a non-traditional, alternative route to state certification.

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What We Do

We exist to partner with independent school districts and accredited private schools and public charter schools to provide a talent pool of state-certified district leaders, school leaders, and teachers so that the school children of Harris County and Texas receive an exemplary education.



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Services Provided

ECA offers a complete suite of accelerated preparation programs, including:

- Eleven initial teaching certificates
 - Core Subjects EC-6
 - Core Subjects EC-6/English as a Second Language
 - Core Subjects EC-6/Bilingual Spanish
 - Special Education EC-12
 - ELAR 4-8
 - Math 4-8
 - Science 4-8
 - ELAR 7-12
 - Math 7-12
 - Science 7-12
 - Life Science 7-12



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Services Provided

Two all-levels professional certificates:

- Principal as Instructional Leader
- Superintendent



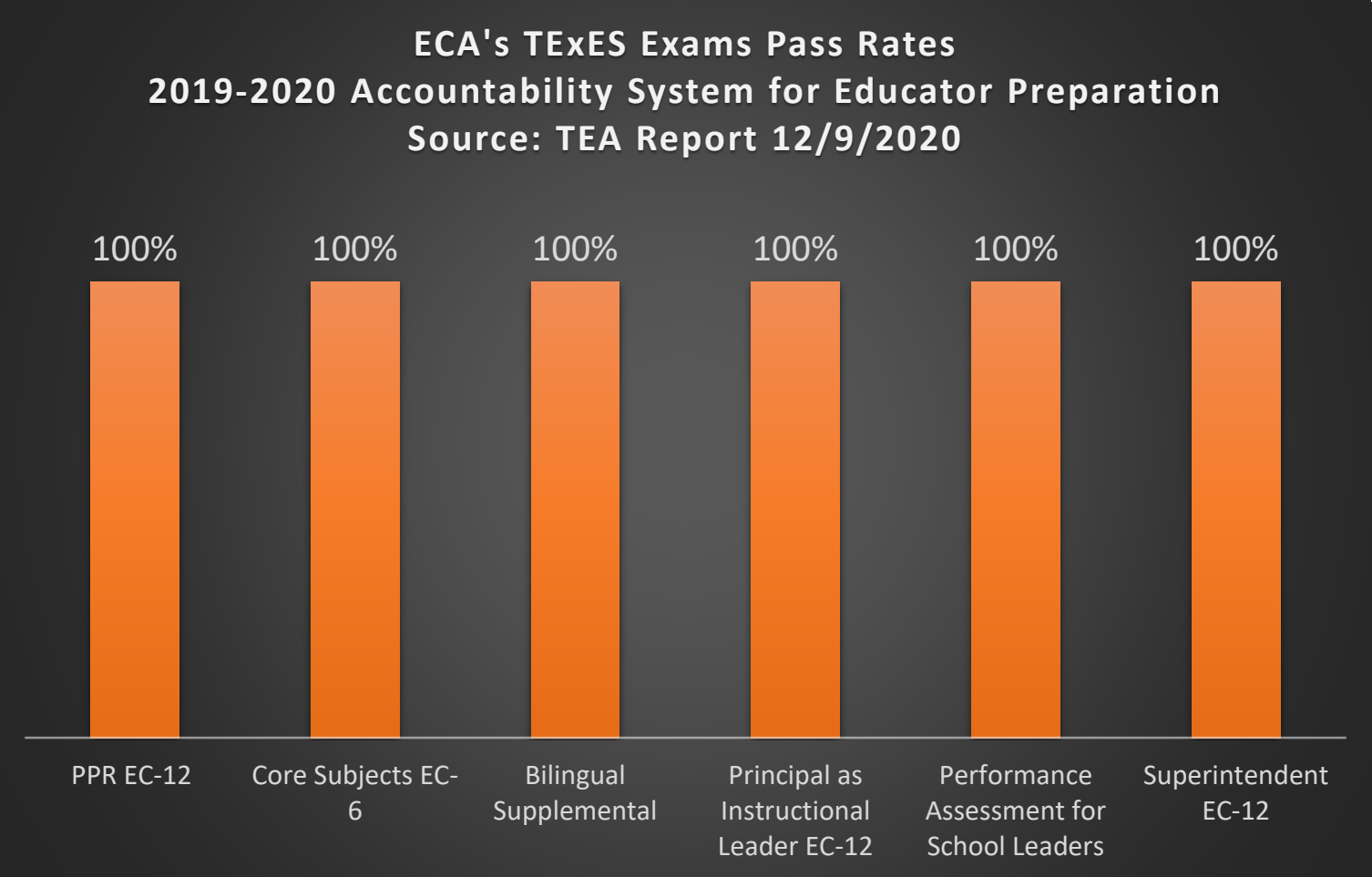
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Data Highlights

Current Enrollment

Teacher Program – 50
Principal Program – 30
Superintendent Program- 18

Pass Rates

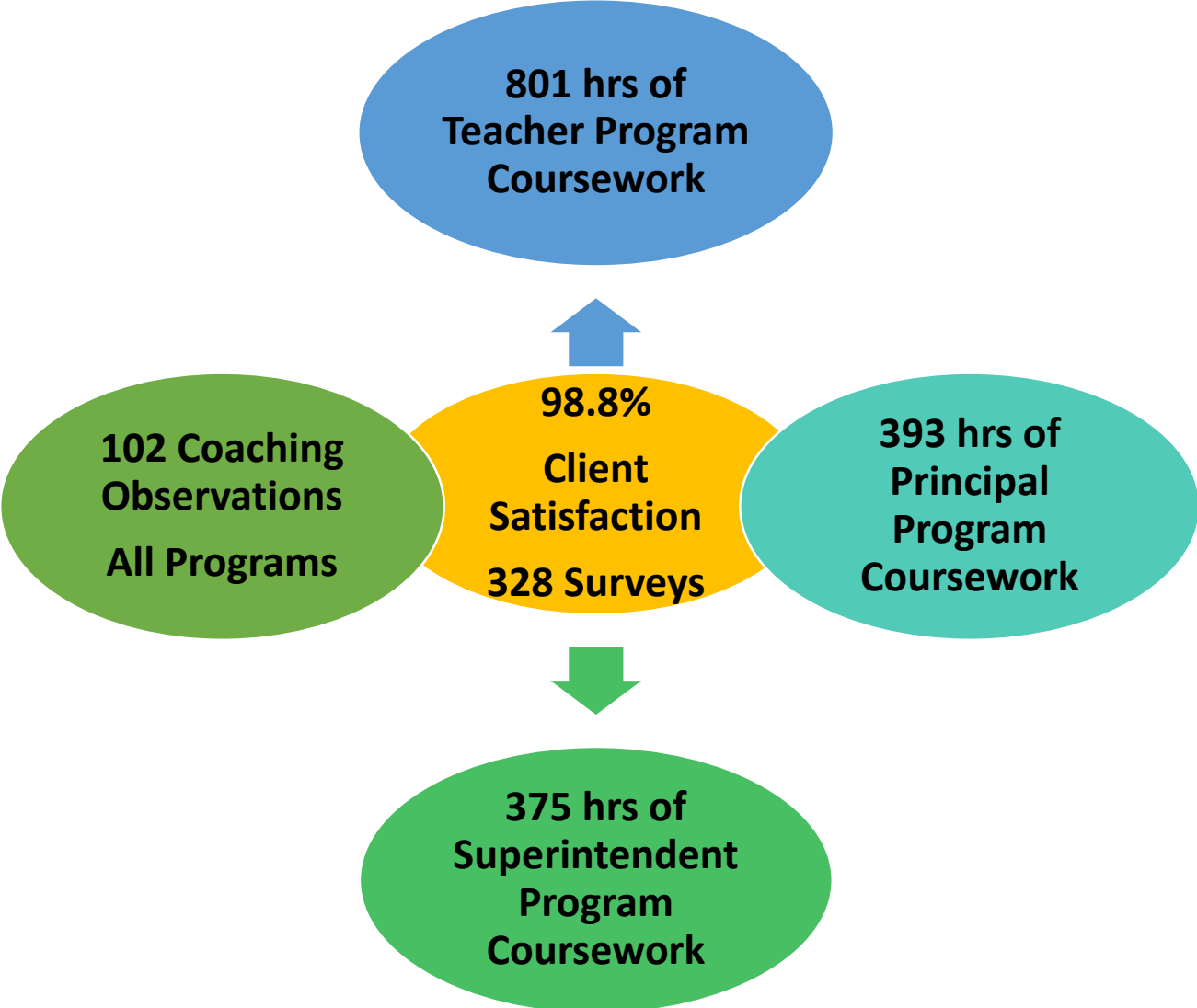


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Data Highlights

Client Support & Satisfaction

The quality of our direct support services through field supervision, coaching, and coursework is evident in the client satisfaction results.










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Client Support

ECA program candidates serve as teachers and school and district leaders in 22 school districts/educational entities in Texas.

-  Aldine ISD
-  Alief ISD
-  Alvin ISD
-  Coldspring-Oakhurst CSD
-  Cy Fair ISD
-  Dallas ISD
-  Deer Park ISD

-  Energized for Excellence Charter
-  Fort Bend ISD
-  Good Reason Houston
-  Goose Creek ISD
-  HCC
-  HCDE
-  Houston ISD

-  Houston Montessori Public Charter
-  Humble ISD
-  International Leadership of Texas Charter
-  KIPP
-  Pearland ISD
-  Spring ISD
-  Stafford MSD
-  Two Dimentions Charter

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Key Highlights

- Received a clean five-year program review desk audit report from the Texas Education Agency which was approved by the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) during October 2020 Board meeting
- Developed a curriculum for a new state exam the Science of Teaching Reading (STR)
- Re-designed all coursework to be taught in a virtual environment
- Created an accelerated, customized cohort model for pre-service teacher preparation program delivery
- Presented program findings at state and national conferences
- Served as board officers on state educator organizations

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Key Highlights

- Established a partnership with the Energized for Excellence/STEM, a charter network serving Houston ISD students, by becoming their teacher certification provider of choice
- Held 27 recruitment information sessions to recruit qualifying applicants for all three programs
- Grew 290% (from projected 11 to 32) in the number of teacher candidates who became teacher interns during 2020-2021 academic year

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Trends

- Increased demand for Bilingual and Special Education teachers
- Teacher Certification Re-Design – new assessment formats and test frameworks
- Shift to performance-based assessments – edTPA assessment pilot and the Science of Teaching Reading exam



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Questions?