



Tier 3 Guidance

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A separate activity will be released on February 3, 2025 for ISDs with member districts in Tier 3.

Activities will be assigned based on three different levels.

1. Districts without flagged student files and no disproportionality will complete level one activities.
2. Districts with student files and no disproportionality will complete level two activities.
3. Districts with student files and disproportionality will complete level three activities.

For those ISDs with member districts who must complete file reviews:

- Initial reviews using the IEP team-facing rubric, of up to eight students in each of up to four member districts will be due April 14, 2025.
- Final file reviews and Educational Benefit Review summaries will be due June 30, 2025.

Districts in Tier 3 Level 3 with disproportionality must also use the rubric to review up to eight student cases from the over-identified subgroup of students (for example, Hispanic students), to ensure that each student meets all four required criteria to be eligible for alternate standards for assessments.

Level 1 Activities	Level 2 Activities	Level 3 Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parent Notification ■ Train Staff ■ Rubric/Criteria Training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parent Notification ■ Train Staff ■ Rubric/Criteria Training ■ High-Risk/Rubric Case Review ■ EBR Case Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parent Notification ■ Train Staff ■ Rubric/Criteria Training ■ High-Risk/Rubric Case Review ■ EBR Case Review ■ Disproportionality Case Review