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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

On June 16, 2021, the Texas Legislature passed House Bill 4545 (HB 4545) during the 87<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. This law requires school districts to provide **additional accelerated instruction** for students who did not take or “did not meet grade level” expectations on the STAAR End of Course exams in English I, English II, Algebra I, Biology, or US History. You can learn more about HB 4545 and Accelerated Learning in this [video clip](#).

### **What is Additional Accelerated Instruction?**

Additional accelerated instruction is supplemental learning time and supports that are provided in addition to the regular school day and curriculum in a small group setting.

### **Who Receives Accelerated Instruction?**

All students including special education, 504, and English language learners who did not pass STAAR End of Course assessments in English I, English II, Algebra I, Biology, and US History in the Spring 2021 or December 2021 are required to have accelerated instruction. This instruction is mandatory and students must attend.

### **How much Accelerated Instruction is Required?**

For each End of Course assessment in which a student did not demonstrate academic readiness, they are required by state law to complete 30 hours of accelerated instruction in the 2021-2022 academic year including summer school. Example of a student failed both English II and Algebra I, they would have to complete 30 hours for English II and 30 hours for Algebra I totaling 60 hours of accelerated instruction.

### **When will Accelerated Instruction take place?**

Accelerated instruction may be provided before, during or after school or on weekends/breaks depending on campus schedules and student attendance. TPHS will primarily focus accelerated instruction in June 2022 during an intensive summer school program.

### **How will I know if my student is impacted?**

Schools will send communication to parents in coming weeks if your child is required to participate in accelerated instruction.

### **How can I view my child's STAAR End of Course Results?**

You can find your child's STAAR End of Course results at [Texas Assessment website \(texasassessment.gov\)](http://Texas Assessment website (texasassessment.gov)) or contacting your child's school directly.

You can find out more information on HB 4545 and if your child has required participation at the [Triumph Public High Schools website \(triumphpublicschools.org\)](http://Triumph Public High Schools website (triumphpublicschools.org)) or by calling your local campus.

Sincerely,

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