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LONESTARP3 CONNECT VIRTUAL

May 15, 2025

2:00 – 3:00 PM

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Agenda

- Activities and Updates
- Features Sessions: LONESTARP3 Research Collaboratives

College & Career Advising

Dual Credit Academic & Workforce Instruction

Workforce-Aligned Instruction

Postsecondary Pursuits

- Wrap-up and Coming Soon

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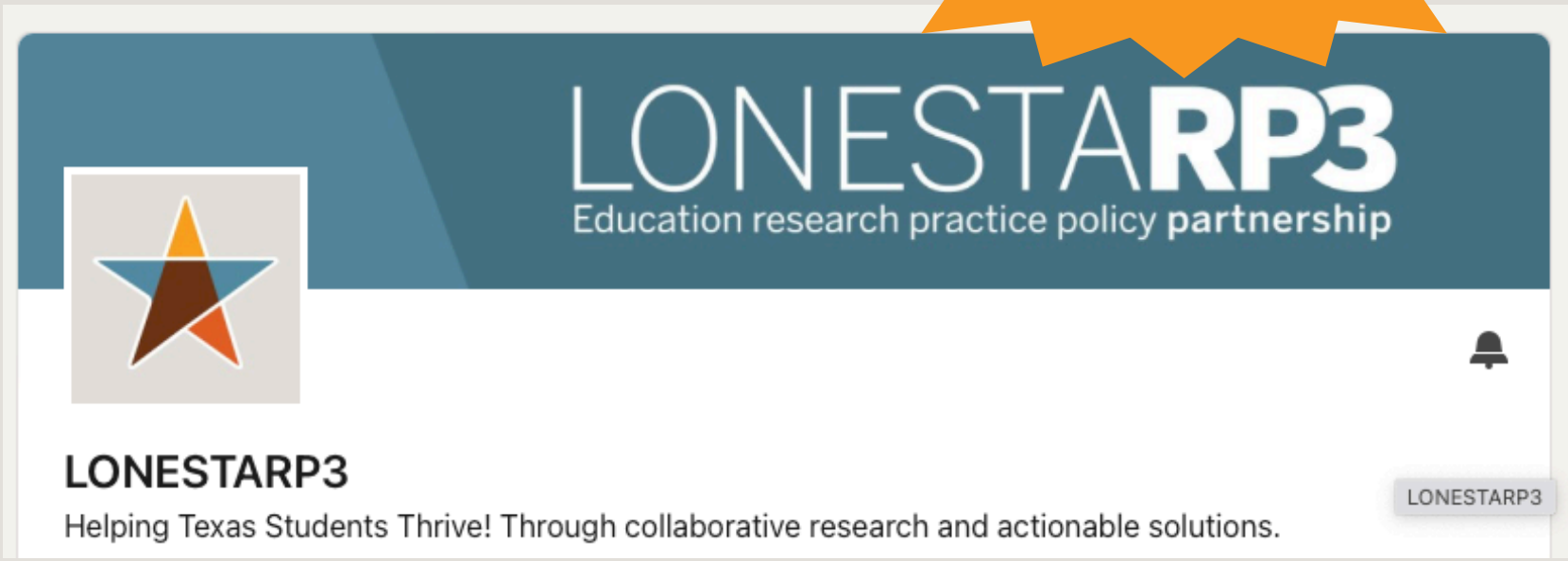

…and we'll do the same for you and your institution!

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Beyond Pathways

LAUNCH

2023-2025

Built relationships, prototyped collaborative processes, and used Pathways focus to establish LONESTA**RP3** and its partnership research approach

MATURATION

2025-2027

Engage Core Members and their constituency to generate research frameworks in new topics to inform direction and future collaborative
efforts across the Network

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Potential Topics for Research Frameworks

TEXAS TEACHER WORKFORCE
Recruitment, preparation, certification, placement, and retention

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
Access, quality, funding, and workforce of programs serving children from birth through age five

OUT OF SCHOOL LEARNING
Opportunities that take place outside the school day, including afterschool programs, summer learning, and extended day

NON-ACADEMIC STUDENT SUPPORTS
Strategies that address barriers to learning and promote student well-being, such as efforts to reduce absenteeism, food- and housing-insecurity, or mental health challenges

SCHOOL TURNAROUND REFORM
Strategies to improve chronically underperforming schools through targeted interventions and community engagement

SCHOOL FINANCE
Policies, formulas, and funding mechanisms that determine how public education is financed

RURAL EDUCATION
Strengths and challenges faced by Texas schools in geographically isolated communities, including limited access to resources, staffing, and advanced coursework

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Application of Research Frameworks

- Surface priority areas of work across RP3 Members to facilitate knowledge sharing and internal collaboration
- Identify light-touch, low-cost efforts to produce products that represent findings and recommendations from across Members on select topics
- Establish a set of organizing frameworks that will create strong positioning for allocating internal resources or pursuing external funding to support collaborative research

Collaborative Process

IDENTIFY SHARED PRIORITIES	CALL FOR STRATEGY TEAMS	RECRUIT STRATEGY TEAM MEMBERS	SELECT STRATEGY TEAM MEMBERS	GENERATE RESEARCH FRAMEWORKS
Triangulate inputs from Core Members, advocacy groups, and resource availability to select **up to 3 topics**	**Develop call for Strategy Teams (10-12 members) to generate an initial research framework on priority topics identified**	**Collect applications from faculty, staff, and partners from across the RP3 Network, and experts from across the state**	**Review applicants and form up to 3 Strategy Teams (one team per topic) with relevant expertise and representation**	**Generate Research Frameworks to inform future RP3 collaborative research pursuits**

Summer	Fall

One Day Working Sessions

Oct 30	Topic 1
Jan 29	Topic 2
Mar 5	Topic 3

Details and Applications Coming Soon!

Anticipate more information prior to the start of Fall Semester

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Research Collaboratives

Small groups lead by RP3 Members to collectively investigate the research questions from our shared Pathways Research Agenda.

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Sep: Pathways Research Agenda released

Oct: Invited Research Collaborative Leads for each strand

Nov: Virtual meeting to kick off Collaboratives

Dec: Collaboratives identifying partners, refining questions, developing methods

Feb: Breakout groups convening in San Antonio to inform final designs

Apr: Collaboratives submit their statements of work and budgets

May: And they're off!

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Research Collaboratives

Research Teams by Strand

Academic and Career Advising

- David Deggs, Educate Texas
- Matt Giani, UT Austin
- Briana Hagelgans, UP Partnership
- Ben Higgins, Commit Partnership
- Dash Weerasinghe, Commit Partnership

Dual Credit Academic and Workforce Instruction

- Jessica Gottlieb, CIRCLE Texas Tech University
- Harrison Hopp, E3 Alliance
- Han Bum Lee, UT San Antonio
- Katherine Mortimer, UT El Paso
- Annelies Rhodes, E3 Alliance

Workforce-aligned Instruction

- Israel Aguilar, UT RGV
- Carlo Castillo, Texas 2036
- Erin Doran, UT El Paso
- Holly Heard, Texas 2036
- Katherine Mortimer, UT El Paso

Postsecondary Pursuits

- Erin Baumgartner, HERC
- Jen Freeman, CIRCLE Texas Tech University
- Stacey Hood, HERC
- Mauricio Molina, HERC
- Gabriela Sánchez-Soto, HERC

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Breakout Sessions

Self select a strand of interest to you and your community

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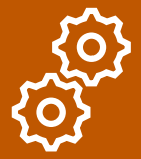
Strand 1: College & Career Advising

How does academic and career advising help students succeed on their chosen pathway?

Strand 2: Dual Credit Academic & Workforce Education

What characteristics of dual credit programs for academic and workforce education propel students into degrees or work?

Strand 3: Workforce Aligned Instruction



How well do Texas Industry-Based Certifications prepare students to enter the workforce?

Strand 4: Postsecondary Pursuits

How can we measure whether a student is ready to pursue a postsecondary credential?

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Fall **CONNECT** Virtual Sessions
SESSION PREVIEW

Sep 18

LONESTARP3 Annual Update and Member Feedback

Highlight accomplishments, promote updates activities, invite discussion and feedback

Oct 16

LONESTARP3 Research Collaboratives

Learn more about the progress and insights emerging from the Research Collaboratives

Nov 13

Trends in Texas Education Philanthropy

Hear about the priorities of Texas education philanthropy and the policy and practices issues that drive them

Dec 4

LONESTARP3 Data Council

Get an update on the products emerging from the Data Council and how they might benefit you

Want to present at the LONESTARP3 Connect Virtual Session? Submit a request form now!

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SEP 25 LONESTA**RP3** LIVE!

Opportunities in the Texas Labor Market

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Bryan Daniel
Chairman and Commissioner Representing the Public
Texas Workforce Commission

September 25, 2025

Join us for a conversation about the data and systems it uses to monitor the Texas Labor Market, and the education and training opportunities available to help Texans participate in our economy.

Registration Coming Soon!
https://lonestarp3.org/upcoming-events/lonestarp3-live-opportunities-in-the-texas-labor-market/

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Feb 12 LONESTA**RP3** LIVE!

Assets and Challenges of Rural Communities

LONESTARP3 LIVE!

Feb 12, 2025

Dreama Gentry
CEO & President
Partners for Rural Impact

Sylvia Leal
Sr. Prog. Officer
Education & Economic Mobility
T.L.L. Temple Foundation

Texas has the largest rural student population in the United States. Join us for a conversation about the promise and peril of building capacity in rural communities to support student success.

Registration Coming Soon!
https://lonestarp3.org/upcoming-events/understanding-assets-and-challenges-of-rural-communities/

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from all of us at LONESTA**RP3**

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