

LONESTARP3 Data Council

Founding Charter

Vision

Increase visibility and use of Texas P20W data system, resources, and published research. Provide insights and recommendations to inform improvements to Texas data systems and tools to enhance their impact on education practice and policy.

Purpose

Address educational challenges through data-driven insights, and create shared, actionable knowledge to benefit Texas students, educators, and policymakers.

1. **Amplify Data-Driven Insights**
Raise awareness about research, resources, and tools from the Texas P20W data system to equip diverse constituencies in leveraging data to inform decisions that advance education and workforce outcomes.
2. **Promote Problem Solving**
Surface diverse perspectives to identify challenges and surface actionable solutions to address systemic challenges within the Texas P20W data infrastructure, including data accessibility, transparency, and usability.
3. **Publish an Annual Report**
Release an annual "State of the State" report that highlights high-impact data points and trends from the Texas P20W data system to inform shared goals and emerging priorities for improving education and workforce outcomes.

Composition

The Council will include members spanning a wide range of educational and workforce sectors to bring a holistic perspective to enhance the Council's ability to surface bright points and define pain points in the use and efficacy of the Texas P20W data system.

- **Nonprofits, Community Colleges, and Four-Year Institutions:** These sectors bring diverse perspectives on data use across educational contexts and applications.
- **Research-Practice Partnerships:** RPPs bring connect K-12 leaders and researchers who use data to identify needs and inspire solutions for their local community.
- **Workforce Boards and Education Service Providers:** Workforce boards and education service centers bring insights on data use to identify and address regional and community education and workforce needs.
- **Education Research Centers:** Education Research Centers that house the P20W data system provide expertise on data governance and system functionality.
- **Ad Hoc Representatives:** Experts in data use, systems, or policy offer specialized knowledge to assure both breadth and depth of perspective on the Council.

Representatives from state education and workforce agencies will be invited to attend select meetings in an advisory capacity to provide additional context and to support collaborative efforts on shared goals and priorities.

Roles and Responsibilities

Council Lead	Advises on focus areas ensure alignment with LONESTARP3 mission. Endorses deliverables and engages on high-priority topics as needed.
Chair	Facilitates meetings, sets agendas, encourages inclusive discussion, and ensures the Council operates effectively. Maintains and distributes Council documentation and tracks action times and deliverables.
Vice Chair	Supports the Chair, assists with meeting planning, and serves as meeting facilitator when needed.
Council Members	Participates in meetings, shares insights and perspectives, contributes to products, and brings insights from their organization or community.
Advisory Members	Provides subject matter expertise, attends select meetings to offer organizational perspective, and supports advocacy connections.

The Council will embrace consensus decision-making to surface priorities, capture insights, and offer recommendations. Members will be acknowledged on Council products for their contributions. Products will note that views expressed on these products reflect the personal opinions and perspectives of members, not the official position, stance, or policies of their institution. Members retain the right to withdraw their name from any product.

Key Activities

1. Data Dialogues Convenings

- One in-person gathering each year to create shared understanding of Council priorities and foster a professional network among Council members.

2. Virtual Community of Practice Meetings

- Eight virtual meetings annually to highlight promising practices in access, use and application of the P20W data system, and to identify barriers and surface ideas to enhance data use and accessibility. Topics may include but are not limited to:
 - **Member Perspectives and Solutions:** Sharing successes, challenges, and practical insights to foster a collaborative learning environment.
 - **System Bright Spots and Pain Points:** Identifying areas where the data system functions well and where limitations exist.
 - **Data Access and Transparency:** Addressing barriers and opportunities to improve access to high-quality P-20W data.

3. Briefs and Annual Report

- Publish **Council Briefs** each year to recap key topics, highlight bright spots in that topic, identify barriers limiting analyses and insights, and offer recommendations to improve existing data systems.
- Publish an annual “**State of the State**” report to spotlight statewide data trends and emerging priorities that can guide action among diverse constituencies, and showcase new data tools and resources aiding statewide research and analysis.

Compensation and Recognition

To recognize members’ contributions, the Council will receive:

- **Annual Compensation:** Members will receive \$2,000 for each year of service.
- **Professional Recognition:** Members will be recognized in Council publications, and their roles will be highlighted in LONESTARP3 communications.