LONESTARP3

CONNECT
IN PERSON

February 23-24, 2025

Texas Tech University

LONESTARP3

Let's Get Started!

Carolyn Landel

Director, LONESTARP3

UT Austin, College of Education

LONESTA**RP3**

LONESTA**RP3**

LONESTA**RP3** is a statewide network that brings researchers, practitioners, and policy advocates together to identify and address community needs. Our partners collectively design, conduct, and translate research into accessible and actionable solutions. Our collaborative approach produces research with clear and immediate use in classroom teaching, system change, policy making.

LONESTA**RP3**

Year Three Milestones

Q4 2024: Launch Pathways Research Collaboratives

Research designs, timelines, and budgets submitted.

$1M allocated for research!

Q1 2025: Launch Statewide Data Council

24-member council launched to improve Texas' education data systems, tools, and resources.

Q3 2025: Host Virtual Sessions and Livestreams

Averaging 120+ registrants for online events!

Q4 2025: Launch Strategy Teams

Invited small teams to help inform future research efforts in Teacher Workforce, Public Education Finance, and Early Childhood Education.

Q4 2025: Release Data Council Products

A comprehensive CCMR crosswalk and an open source CCMR tool.

Q4 2025: Launch Governance Model

Initiate Co-Chairs, Exec Committee and expanded membership on Steering Committee

Q1 2026: Launch Membership Model

Defined new Membership Categories and began to invite new organizations to apply to join the network.

$6+M in philanthropic support secured!

Year Three Milestones

Q4 2024: Launch Pathways Research Collaboratives

Research designs, timelines, and budgets submitted.

$1M allocated for research!

Q1 2025: Launch Statewide Data Council

24-member council launched to improve Texas' education data systems, tools, and resources.

Q3 2025: Host Virtual Sessions and Livestreams

Averaging 120+ registrants for online events!

Q4 2025: Launch Strategy Teams

Invited small teams to help inform future research efforts in Teacher Workforce, Public Education Finance, and Early Childhood Education.

Q4 2025: Release Data Council Products

A comprehensive CCMR crosswalk and an open source CCMR tool.

Q4 2025: Launch Governance Model

Initiate Co-Chairs, Exec Committee and expanded membership on Steering Committee

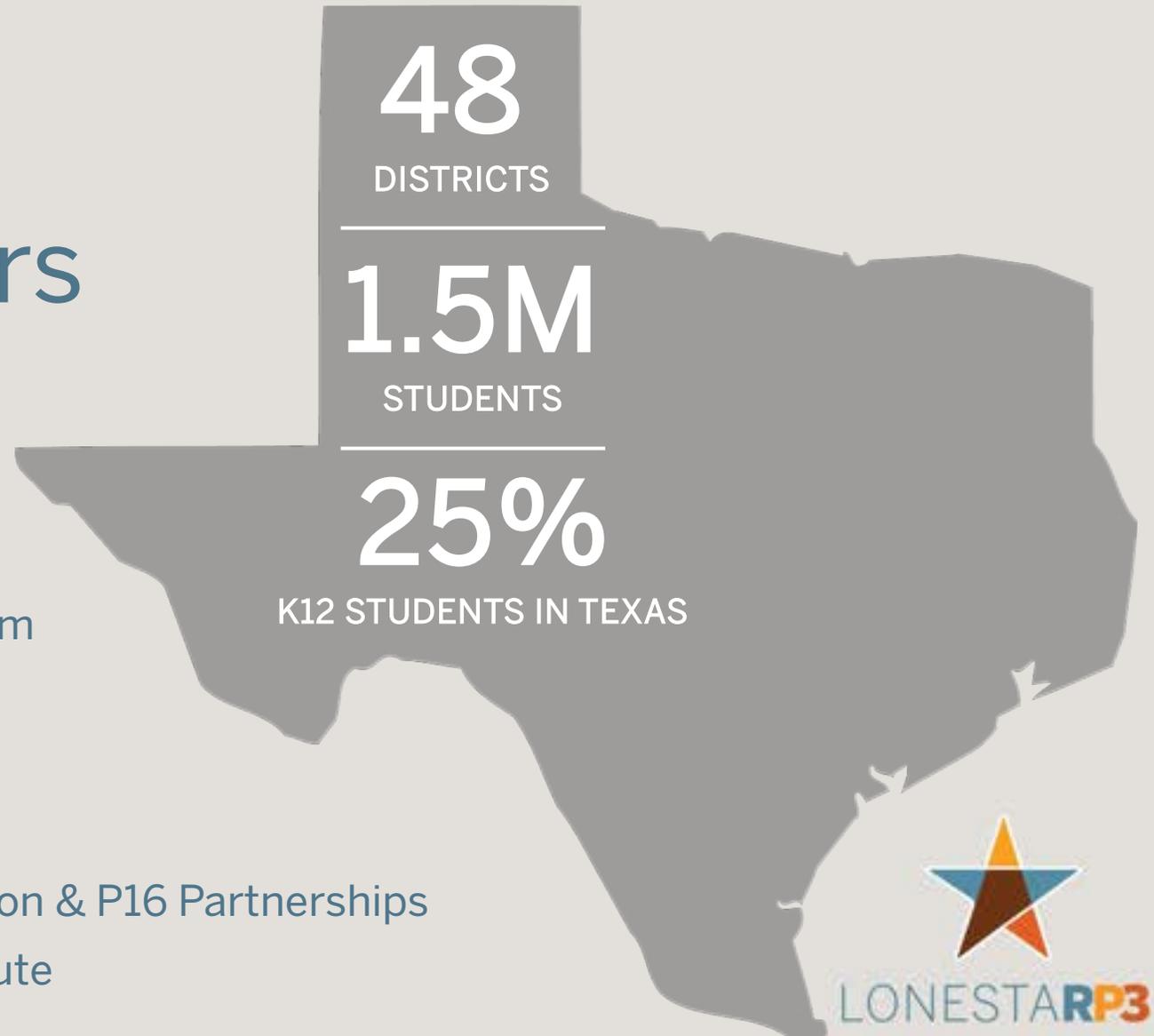**Q1 2026: Launch Membership Model**

Defined new Membership Categories and began to invite new organizations to apply to join the network.

$6+M in philanthropic support secured!

LONESTA**RP3** Founding Members

- ★ Commit Partnership
- ★ E3 Alliance
- ★ Educate Texas
- ★ Houston Education Research Consortium
- ★ Texas Tech University, CIRCLE
- ★ UT Austin, College of Education
- ★ UT El Paso, Paso del Norte
- ★ UT Rio Grande Valley College of Education & P16 Partnerships
- ★ UT San Antonio, Urban Education Institute

48 DISTRICTS

1.5M STUDENTS

25% K12 STUDENTS IN TEXAS

LONESTA**RP3**

LONESTA**RP3** Governance Principles

1 **Relationship of Membership to Governance**

RP3 **draws from its membership** to operate a **shared Governance model** that serves to inform the direction, operations, and health of the Network.

2 **Purpose of Governance**

RP3 governance provides an **open and transparent forum for Network leaders** to surface concerns, assess needs, and generate solutions to support Network operations and impact.

3 **Representation of Voices**

RP3 governance structures are **inclusive of diverse perspectives** - including research, practice, and policy - from **within its members and beyond.**

4 **Structure of Governance**

RP3 maintains a **lean governance model with a set of interconnected structures** that preserve **Core Members** (RPPs and Collective Impact organizations) **as the majority voice** in decision-making.

LONESTA**RP3**

LONESTA**RP3** Governance Model Overview

	*Steering Committee	*Executive Committee	Co-Chairs	Ambassador Council
Purpose	Decision-making body to assure planned actions align to **vision, policy, strategy, health, and impact** of RP3	Decision-making for **day-to-day operations and time sensitive actions** required of RP3	Leadership for the Steering and Executive Committees	Counsel to RP3 and champions of the work
Composition	**12 Steering Committee Members:** Sub-set of **Core Members** (9) and **Contributing Members** (3)	**4 Executive Committee Members:** Sub-set of Steering Committee Members; **3 Core Members** (2 are co-chairs) and **1 Contributing Member**	One position for Dean of the **administrative host organization** (UT Austin COE)) One position for a **Core Member** on the Executive Committee	20–24 individuals from organizations not serving on other RP3 governing bodies, representing the broader state and national education ecosystem
Eligibility*	Member in good standing for at least one year prior	Served on the Steering Committee for at least one term (2 years)	Core Member on the Executive Committee	Bring an external perspective, broker needed connections, serve as an RP3 champion
Meetings	Quarterly	Quarterly, in the month prior to Steering Committee meetings, and Steering Committee Meetings	Steering and Executive Committees meetings	Annually (anticipate Fall); Connect to Success Summits in years when held

LONESTA**RP3**

LONESTA**RP3** Membership Principles

1 **Clarity and Accountability**

RP3 seeks to shift from a startup enterprise to sustainable entity. Our membership model articulates clear commitments and reciprocal benefits to ensure founding members are **accountable to one another** and to set **expectations for those who join** our Network in the future.

2 **Intentional Representation**

RP3 seeks to be a statewide network, **representative of the diverse institutions, geographies and communities of Texas**. Our membership model defines a default structure to ensure we fulfill that promise and leverage that representation to increase our impact.

3 **Influence Aligned to Commitments**

RP3 seeks to create impact by working with and through a **strategic set of practice, policy, and data partners** who share our vision. Our membership model ensures these partners are integrated into our community to both shape and implement our shared work.

4 **Access and Connection**

RP3 seeks to be a reliable source of research and a trusted broker to leaders and actors across the state. Our membership model provides an affiliation–**a sense of belonging–for organizations that will grow our reputation and reach**, and serve as a **conduit for future members**.

LONESTA**RP3**

Membership Categories and Criteria

	CORE MEMBERS	CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS	CONNECTORS
Description	Up to **10-12 RPPs and Collective Impact organizations** that represent Texas geography, density (e.g., urban, rural, suburban), IHE systems (e.g. UT, Tech, A&M, State), and non-profit backbone organizations (e.g., RPP, collective impact)	**20+ members across a range of organizations**, including policy advocates, intermediaries, state agencies, membership organizations, and research entities aligned with RP3 core values	Unlimited **individuals or organizations of all types** aligned with RP3 core values
Criteria	Host to RPPs or Collective Impact efforts that **support existing networks of local or regional education and community partners**, and commit to **ensuring that broader network is engaged** and represented.

Aligned with RP3 core values and priorities

Based **in Texas** and **serve Texas** communities; **Access and engage region, not just home institution**

Agree to Core Member commitments | Policy advocates, intermediaries, state agencies, membership organizations, and research entities

Aligned with RP3 core values and priorities established by Core Members

Based in Texas and serve Texas communities

Agree to Contributing Member commitments | Individuals or all types of organizations

Aligned with RP3 core values and priorities established by Core Members

Individuals and organizations are based in Texas and serve Texas communities

Agree to Connector commitments |

NEW Membership Brochure: bit.ly/4ayDeII

LONESTA**RP3**

Membership Commitments

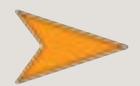|	CORE MEMBERS	CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS	CONNECTORS
	Contributing Member commitments, plus:	*Connector commitments, plus:*	*The following commitments:*
Research	**Conduct applied, responsive and collaborative research** with RP3 Members on shared research agendas **Represent RP3** in various mediums (e.g., podcast, conference) to share research findings with the public	**Inform and develop research agendas** through input from their constituencies Share examples of **what's working in implementation and policy** **Translate and support constituents in acting on research findings**	**Inform RP3 products and activities** through RP3 engagement activities **Disseminate and champion research findings** with their constituencies
Events	Support **up to 5 people to attend in-person**, invite-only events Contribute to **designing, planning, and hosting select events**	Support up to **2 people to attend in-person**, invite-only events	None
Operations	**Define RP3 core values and priorities** As selected, serve on **governing bodies**	As selected, serve on **governing bodies**	None

LONESTA**RP3**

LONESTA**RP3** Approach

Create Shared Priorities

Bring multiple perspectives together and look for areas of consensus on timely challenges. Build on those agreements to drive shared work.

Investigate Common Challenges

Conduct applied and responsive research on shared problems of practice and policy with direct community engagement from design through implementation.

Deploy accessible and actionable tools

Translate research into accessible tools, products and experiences that are actionable by decision-makers. Put findings into the right hands at the right time.

LONESTA**RP3**

LONESTA**RP3** In Action

Process

Product

 Create Shared Priorities

 Structured Protocols

 Shared Research Agenda

 Investigate Common Challenges

 Research Collaboratives

 Research Designs and Findings

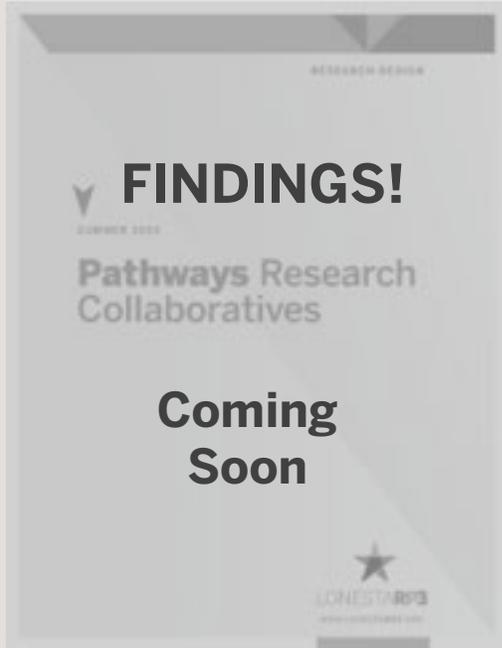 **Deploy accessible and actionable tools**

 Network Mobilization

 Tailored products and experiences

LONESTA**RP3**

Network Mobilization

FINDINGS!

Pathways Research Collaboratives

Coming Soon

LONESTAR93

Policy Briefs

Practice Guides

Presentation-ready slides

Lunch and Learns

Social Media

Dashboards, visualizations

OpEds, Blogs

Practice partner communications, events or activities in your constituency

Policy advocacy partner strategy, communications, materials or activities

Leaders, intermediaries, convener of core constituencies across the state

Identify interested **stakeholders** with ability to **influence decisions**

Determine how to prepare, package, or **communicate findings to motivate action**

Anticipate opportunities to **engage stakeholders with findings** and **facilitate decision support**

Timeline

RESEARCH COLLABORATIVES

LONESTARP3 facilitated

POLICY MEMBERS

Collaboratives present **initial insights**

Collaboratives present **updates**

Collaboratives **research complete**

LONESTA**RP3** supports **translation and engagement**

LONESTA**RP3** SUCCESSSUMMIT Dec 9-10, 2026

90th Texas **Legislative Session**

Feb	May	Sep	Dec	Jan

Anticipate findings

Identify **stakeholders**

Determine how to **present findings to motivate action**

Anticipate opportunities to **engage with findings**

Begin **engagement**

Practice partners

Policy advocacy partners

Statewide constituencies

Showcase initial engagement examples

Support advocacy partners

CORE MEMBERS

LONESTA**RP3**

Network Mobilization

ANTICIPATE RESULTS	Spring Summer	Reflect on initial insights Connect with RP3 or Collaboratives Forecast in strategy docs , events, mtgs
TRANSLATE FINDINGS	Summer Fall	Review products from RP3 & Collaboratives Inteernal sensemaking with leaders & staff Integrate or adapt products in local work
ENGAGE STAKEHOLDERS		Integrate findings & products in strategy, communications, events, or activities
MOTIVATE ACTION	Fall Winter	**2026 Success Summit**: Share findings AND examples of early engagement **90th Legislative Session**: Support advocacy