



**Texas Consortium on School Research**  
***Dropout Prevention: A Conversation of Research-Based  
Recommendations and Successful Implementation***  
**Fall 2011 Webinar**

**November 9, 2011**

**10:00 am – 11:30 a.m. (includes a 30-minute extended discussion time)**

**Webinar convened by REL Southwest at Edvance Research, Inc.**

**Goals:**

- *Be able to share dropout prevention strategies with my district and campus colleagues to identify students at risk of dropping out and provide academic support to those students most at risk*
- *Understand how Recommendations 1 and 3 of the Institute of Education Sciences Dropout Prevention Practice Guide could be implemented in a Texas district through a local example, with feedback and guidance from a national expert, both of which may inform the development of local plans:*
  - *Recommendation 1: Utilize data systems that support a realistic diagnosis of the number of students who drop out and that help identify individual students at high risk of dropping out.*
  - *Recommendation 3: Provide academic support and enrichment to improve academic performance.*

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**9:45 am – 10:00 am**

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**10:00 am**

**Webinar Overview & Welcome**

Dean Nafziger, Director, *REL Southwest at Edvance Research*

Laural Logan-Fain, Associate Director, Texas Consortium on School Research (TCSR)  
*REL Southwest at Edvance Research*

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**10:00 am – 11:00 am**

**Dropout Prevention**

This will include a 30-minute research presentation with time for questions; 10-minute district presentation; 5-minute researcher feedback; and 10-minute audience Q&A session.

**IES Practice Guide: *Recommendation 1 and 3***

Mark Dynarski, *Researcher, Chesapeake Research Associates*

**Question and Answer Session**

**Houston ISD: Dropout Prevention/Early Warning (DPEW) Report**

Chris Caesar, *Director, Dropout Prevention, Houston ISD*

**Researcher Feedback**

**Question and Answer Session**

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**11:00 am**

**Next Steps**

Stacy Daugherty, *Development Manager, REL Southwest at Edvance Research*

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**11:00 am – 11:30 am**

**Extended Discussion Time: A Conversation with a Research Expert**

Mark Dynarski, *President, Pemberton Research*

This will be an open conversation where districts can have an interactive discussion with a dropout prevention expert. Questions can be sent in prior to the webinar or during this time period. Questions will also be posed to the districts to facilitate a rich discussion.

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