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August 30, 2019

Dear Parents,

HB 657, which was passed into law on May 29, 2017, requires the school district to notify you of the following:

For students in grades 5 and 8, who do not perform satisfactorily on the first administration of the STAAR reading and/or math assessment, the ARD committee must meet before the second administration.

At this time, the committee shall determine:
the manner in which the student will participate in an accelerated instruction program; and
whether the student will be promoted or retained

At the meeting the committee, may promote the student to the next grade level if the committee concludes that the student has made sufficient progress in the measurable annual goals contained in the student's individualized education program. A school district that promotes a student under this option is not required to provide additional opportunity for the student to perform satisfactorily on the assessment instrument.

I have enclosed a copy of the Student Success Initiative brochure for your reference.

If you have any questions, please contact your campus principal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "René Riek". The signature is written in a cursive style with a dot over the 'i' in "Riek".

René Riek
Director of Special Education