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June 13, 2016

Note: We are sending this message to inform the parents of all fifth- and eighth-grade students who did not meet passing standards for their state mandated STAAR Reading and/or STAAR Math assessments, as well as those who are also registered to attend the summer school academic programming.

Dear Parents,

Lamar Consolidated Independent School District will continue to offer summer school and summer academic support. On June 10, 2016, Texas Commissioner of Education Mike Morath informed school districts that:

- There would not be a third opportunity in June for fifth- and eighth-graders, who previously did not meet passing standards on their STAAR assessments, to retake the STAAR Reading and Math.
- School districts are not required to provide accelerated instruction (known as the Student Success Initiative, SSI) for these students.

While our District appreciates the Commissioner's responsiveness to the challenges that have arisen with the state's newly-contracted company responsible for STAAR testing, our students still need academic support to be successful in the coming year.

All summer school academic programming will continue as previously planned, as it will support your child's successful mastery of the curriculum in the coming year. We look forward to serving your child as previously scheduled.

For students who did not meet the passing standard for 5th & 8th grade Mathematics and Reading STAAR assessments, the Commissioner left it to local discretion and the consideration of all "relevant and available academic information". For our LCISD students, this will include the recommendation of the teacher, the student's grade in each subject during the regular school year, and progress during summer school.

If you have questions regarding the summer school academic programming, please contact your child's summer school or the summer school principal.

Thank you for working with us to provide the best possible education for your child.

Lamar Consolidated Independent School District