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**Public Information Request  
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December 14, 2022**

Robert Montoya  
Texas Scorecard

**TEA PIR #57403**

Dear Mr. Robert Montoya:

On December 2, 2022, the Texas Education Agency (TEA) received your public information request for records of grants received from Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for the time period 2000-2010. To the extent it exists, the requested information is provided to you with this letter and includes a copy of the original request.

The information requested can be found on the TEA website at [Texas High School Project](#).

### **Texas High School Project**

The Texas High School Project (THSP) was a unique public-private alliance created in 2003 to ensure that all Texas high school students have the opportunity to achieve their highest educational potential and enhance state competitiveness for the future. The Texas High School Project vision was that all Texas high school students will graduate college- and career-ready. THSP partners include the Office of the Governor, Texas Legislature, TEA, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#), the [Michael & Susan Dell Foundation](#), the [Wallace Foundation](#), the [Communities Foundation of Texas](#), Greater Texas Foundation, Meadows Foundation, [National Instruments](#), and others.

A longitudinal, comprehensive evaluation encompassing more than 100 schools was conducted by an external evaluator. Included in the evaluation were both THSP programs, as well as associated programs. THSP programs received the full benefit of the partners' coordinated technical assistance and policy support. Associated programs had a focus related to the THSP mission but did not receive technical assistance and policy support and were funded separately by one of the partners. Both types of programs were incorporated in the THSP evaluation and included:

- High School Redesign and Restructuring
- High School Redesign
- Early College High Schools
- High Schools That Work Enhanced Redesign Network
- Texas Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (T-STEM) Academies
- New Schools and Charter Schools
- Principal Pilot Certification Program
- UTeach
- District Engagement
- Education Leadership
- Austin Independent School District district redesign

The evaluation reports and executive summaries are available from the links below:

- [Evaluation of the Texas High School Project: Second Comprehensive Annual Report](#) (SRI International, November 2010)  
[Executive Summary](#) (16 pages)
- [Study of the Austin Independent School District's Redesign and High School Reform Initiative: Interim Report](#) (SRI International, June 2010)
- [Evaluation of the Texas High School Project: First Comprehensive Annual Report](#) (SRI International, May 2010)  
[Executive Summary](#) (21 pages)
- [Evaluation of the Texas High School Project: Study of State Context for Policy Reform Final Report, State Policy Review](#) (SRI International, December 2008)

## Middle College/Early College High School Expansion Grants

Middle College/Early College was designed to ensure the continued success, sustainability, and, where appropriate, expansion of Middle College High Schools and Early College High Schools, which give students who typically would not pursue postsecondary studies an opportunity to complete high school and a set amount of college-level coursework in an academically supportive environment. Additionally, this grant sought to provide other institutions interested in establishing Middle or Early College High Schools with information to allow them to implement effective and successful programs.

Please see [TEA's Early College High School Initiative page](#) for more information.

The evaluation report and executive summary are available from the links below:

- [Texas Study of the Middle College Early College Expansion Grant Program: Final Report](#) (Resources for Learning, May 2007)  
[Executive Summary](#) (4 pages)

If you have trouble accessing the information at the listed web link, let us know since we can look at alternative ways to access the information by inspection or duplication or through the US mail.

Additionally, many records have met agency retention policies.

There are no charges for fulfilling this request and PIR # **57403** is considered closed.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please contact me at (512) 463-3464 or by email at [PIR@tea.texas.gov](mailto:PIR@tea.texas.gov).

Sincerely,

**Sherry Mansell**

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Enclosures: Original Request

## TEA Responsive Documents

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Date: Thu, 1 Dec 2022 23:08:46 +0000  
Subject: Open Records Request  
To Whom It May Concern,

Hope you're doing well.

Please find attached our open records request.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,  
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