



EAST TEXAS
TRI-AGENCY INITIATIVE

Understanding the Tri-Agency Regional Convener

What is a Tri-Agency Regional Convener?

Tri-Agency regional conveners are responsible for working with employers and education and training providers to support career and education pathways and expand work-based learning opportunities in their region. The role of a designated Tri-Agency regional convener is to oversee the development, implementation, and monitoring of the regional strategy for high-quality career and education pathways into targeted industries across an entire workforce area.

Why is it called Tri-Agency?

This project is part of the work of Governor Abbott's Tri-Agency Workforce Initiative, which brings the Texas Education Agency (TEA), Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), and Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) together to help Texas grow in economic prosperity.



Who is the East Texas Regional Convener?

The Tyler Area Business Education Council is the Regional Convener for the East Texas Workforce Development Area (WDA 8). The area is comprised of Anderson, Camp, Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Marion, Panola, Rains, Rusk, Smith, Upshur, Van Zandt, and Wood counties. WDA 8 encompasses the Upper East Region (Region 4) of THECB and Education Service Center Regions 7 and 8 of TEA.



**KEY
TAKEAWAY**

TABEC will convene regional stakeholders to ensure students acquire the skills and credentials that employers need them to know for our community to be prosperous.



What Will the Tyler Area Business Education Council Do as Regional Convener?



Alignment

Identify and support a team of representatives from business and industry, K-12 and postsecondary education, and workforce development, known as a Pathways Leadership Team (PLT).

Develop, review, and update the regional strategy, asset map, and gap analysis for quality pathways.



Data

Identify, collect, and monitor key educational and workforce metrics aligned to regional goals.

Develop data collection & data management strategies, and maintain & monitor data to show progress toward stated goals.



Communications

Plan and implement a regional communications strategy.

Serve as a hub of resources and information.



Work-Based Learning

Plan, execute, and monitor regional work-based learning.

Develop a regional work-based learning implementation strategy.

If you have any questions about the East Texas Tri-Agency Initiative or want to get involved, contact:

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