



Parents: Should Your Child Repeat a Grade or Course?

Given the disruptions of the 2020-2021 school year, the Texas Legislature has given parents new rights to make this decision for the upcoming school year. The decision as to whether your child needs to repeat a grade or course in the upcoming school year is your decision to make as a parent.

- **For Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Students:**
 - If your child was eligible in the previous school year and did not attend or had a disrupted school year, you may choose to have your child restart Pre-kindergarten/Kindergarten, or he or she may continue on.
- **For children in grades 1-8:**
 - Repeating may be right for your child if he/she struggled learning while remaining virtual most of the year
- **For students who took high school courses:**
 - Repeating one or more courses may be right for your child if he/she struggled in a foundational course (e.g. Algebra I or computer science) and is worried about being successful in higher level courses

If you determine that repeating a grade or course is best for your student, your request must be made *in writing* to the school principal before the start of the school year, August 18, 2021.

More information about these legislative requirements can be found at:

- <https://tea.texas.gov/repeatgrade>
- <https://tea.texas.gov/restartkinder>