# Region One Education Service Center GEAR UP: Ready, Set, College



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Region One Education Service Center July 28 - 31, 2014

### Region One Education Service Center GEAR UP: Ready, Set, College! Partnership

The GEAR UP: Ready, Set, College! Partnership is in its fourth year of operation, with cohort students currently engaged in tenth grade activities. The primary goal of the partnership is to increase the number of targeted students who enter and succeed in post-secondary environments. This goal is supported by a plan that encompasses academic systemic reform. Services are substantiated by validated research, and are intended to result in a systemic examination, alignment, and implementation of policies, programs, and practices that enable students to succeed in college. Services are classified into four major components:

- Building Leaders at Every Level:
  Building a Community of Learners
- Creating a Culture of Learners: Academic Support
- Developing a College Focus:
   Direct Services to Students and Parents
- Creating College Going Communities: Support Services

Each component is designed to provide a sustainable, cohesive network of support to students, parents, and educators.

Local, state, and national level partnerships were sustained and enhanced, including partnerships with:

- National Council for Communities and Education Partnerships (NCCEP)
- University of Texas-Pan American
- University of Texas at Brownsville
- South Texas College
- Texas A&M International University
- Apple, Inc.
- South Texas Literacy Coalition
- Texas Instruments
- Agile Mind
- ACT
- Channel 5 News
- GEAR UP for Excellence
- Wells Fargo
- IBC
- Texas Valley Communities Foundation
- Region One ESC
- 27 Regional Public School Districts

An extensive array of services will be offered to partnering schools, students, and parents with the intent of increasing student enrollment and success in college.





On behalf of Region One Education Service Center, we welcome you to this unique learning event—the Region One ESC GEAR UP CORE Conference. This conference has been designed collaboratively by the GEAR UP program and the Curriculum and Instruction staff at Region One, in partnership with Texas Instruments and Apple, Inc., to provide you with information and techniques to support teaching and learning in core content classrooms.

We appreciate your attendance and your acknowledgment of this conference as being important to your continued professional growth as we prepare students for high school, college, and professional life. Your participation in this conference indicates your commitment to that inspiring task, and we applaud you for your dedication

It is our hope that you find the information presented at this conference very useful, and that you will take what you learn and put it into immediate action. Your involvement in promoting an increase in the rigor of instructional delivery and student engagement will undoubtedly lead to increased student success at every level.

Best wishes for your continued success, and have a great conference!

#### Dr. Cornelio Gonzalez

Executive Director, Region One ESC

## Building a College Going Culture: GEAR UP: Ready, Set, College!

The Region One ESC GEAR UP: Ready, Set, College! partnership is organized into four basic components. All efforts are designed to provide services to students, families, and educators in order to ensure students graduate from high school and matriculate to postsecondary environments.

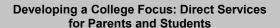


#### **Building Leaders at Every Level: A Community of Learners**

District Leadership: Systemic Leadership and Alignment
Parent Leadership
Student Leadership
Data Driven Design



Core Content Professional Development (STAAR, Rigor, DOK)
Supports for Differentiated Learning
Technology Supports (Apple, Texas Instruments, Vernier)
College Academy Model
Financial Literacy
Data Driven Design



Parent Partnerships and Parent Involvement Initiative
Pre College Academies/ Camps
Dual Enrollment
College Tours
Youth Leadership Activities
Tutoring
College for All Conferences
Data Driven Design







#### **Creating College Going Communities: Support Services**

GEAR UP Facilitator
Interactive Website
Media Partnerships/ Parent, Student, and Educator Publications
Postsecondary Counselor's Academy
Business and Community Partnerships
Cybermentoring
iTunes U Platform
Data Driven Design



#### **AGENDA**

#### Monday, July 28, 2014

AM Sessions at Edinburg Convention Center at Renaissance		
8:30–8:40 am	Setting the Stage	Tina Atkins, GEAR UP Director
8:40-8:55am	Pledge of Allegiance	
8:55–9:05 am	Welcome	Dr. Cornelio Gonzalez, Executive Director, Region One ESC
	Keynote	Peter Balyta,  President of Education

9:05-9:45 am STEM Education

9:45-10:00 am **Interactive Activity** 

10:00-10:15 am **Break** 

Keynote 10:15-10:55 am Apple in the Classroom

Closure of General 10:55-11:15 am Session

Technology,

Texas Instruments

**GEAR UP Specialists** 

Matt Baier, Director of the

Center for Innovation at Cathedral Catholic High School, San Diego, CA

Norma McCormick, **GEAR UP Coordinator**  11:15 am-12:45 pm Lunch & Travel

**PM Sessions at Region One Education Service Center** 1900 W. Schunior, Edinburg

12:45-1:00 pm **GEAR UP Infomercial** 

**GEAR UP Facilitators** & Specialists

On your own.

1:00-4:00 pm **Content Sessions**  Content Specialists, Region One ESC







#### **Administrators' Special Session**

11:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Conference Hall B

Foundations for working with Apple, Texas Instruments, and Vernier technology in an integrated approach to instruction.

#### **Hidalgo**

Brownsville Veterans Memorial **ECHS** Edcouch Elsa High School Edinburg North High School Falfurrias High School La Feria High School Lyford High School McAllen High School Mission Veterans Memorial High School Monte Alto High School Raymondville High School

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PSJA North High School **PSJA Southwest ECHS** Port Isabel High School Rio Grande City High School Grulla High School Roma High School San Benito High School Santa Maria High School Santa Rosa High School Weslaco High School

#### Webb

Donna High School Donna North High School Hidalgo ECHS La Villa ECHS Lasara High School Mercedes High School Rio Hondo High School United LBJ High School Valley View High School Zapata High School

#### **Social Studies**

#### World History—Fort Macintosh

Donna High School Donna North High School Edcouch Elsa High School Falfurrias High School Lasara High School McAllen High School PSJA North High School **PSJA Southwest ECHS** Raymondville High School Rio Grande City High School Grulla High School Rio Hondo High School

#### World History- Fort Ringgold

**Brownsville Veterans Memorial ECHS Edinburg North High School** Hidalgo ECHS La Feria High School

Lyford High School Mission Veterans Memorial HS San Benito Veterans High School

Santa Rosa High School Valley View High School Weslaco High School

#### World History- Edge Lab

La Villa ECHS Mercedes High School Monte Alto High School Port Isabel High School Roma High School Santa Maria High School United LBJ High School Zapata High School

#### Science

#### Lab A

Brownsville Veterans Memorial **ECHS** Donna High School

Donna North High School Edcouch-Elsa High School Edinburg North High School Falfurrias High School Hidalgo ECHS

#### Lab B

Rio Hondo High School Roma High School San Benito High School Santa Maria High School Santa Rosa High School United LBJ High School Valley View High School Weslaco High School Zapata High School

#### T-STEM Lab

La Feria High School La Villa ECHS Lasara High School Lyford High School McAllen High School Mercedes High School Mission Veterans Memorial HS Monte Alto High School Port Isabel High School **PSJA Southwest ECHS** PSJA North High School Raymondville High School Grulla High School Rio Grande City High School

#### **Mathematics**

#### Geometry - Sal Del Rey

All Districts **Current Users** of Texas Instruments technology

#### **Geometry—Falcon Dam**

Districts A - M **New Users** of Texas Instruments technology

#### **Geometry—Falcon Dam**

Districts P - Z **New Users** of Texas Instruments technology

#### Algebra II-Rio Grande

All Districts All Users of Texas Instruments technology

Monday 1:00 – 4:00 pm & Tuesday-Thursday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Lunch from 11:30 am–12:45 pm Tuesday–Thursday Room Assignments by GEAR UP Districts

#### Redefinition

Tech allows for the creation of new tasks, previously inconceivable

#### Modification

Tech allows for significant task redesign

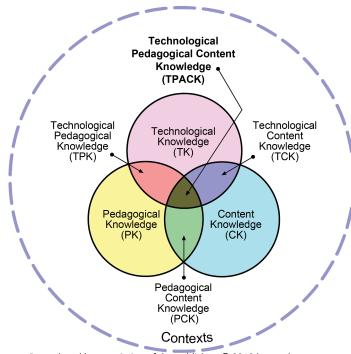
#### Augmentation

Tech acts as a direct tool substitute, with functional improvement

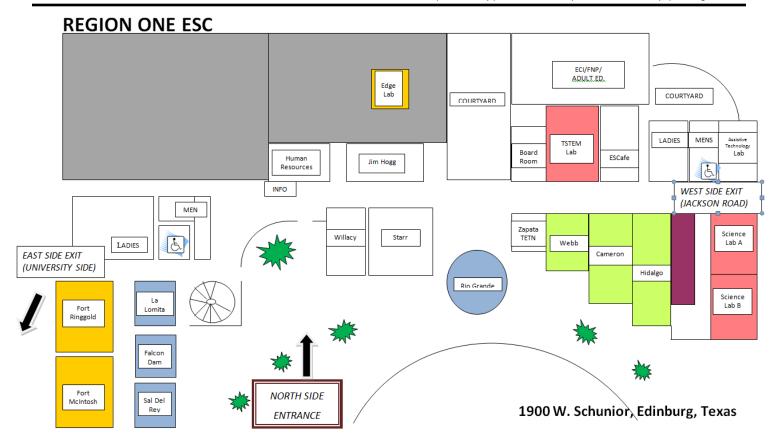
#### Substitution

Tech acts as a direct tool substitute, with no functional change

http://hippasus.com/resources/actem2009/TechnologyChangeProcess.pdf



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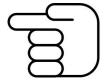
Transformation



Enhancement

- Attend all 4 full days of training
- No late arrivals or early dismissals will be permitted
- Sign in each morning AND sign out before leaving each day!





#### **Keynote Speakers**

**Matt Baier** 

Matt Baier is the Director of the Center for Innovation at Cathedral Catholic High School, a 1:1 iPad school in San Diego, CA. His responsibilities include training and helping teachers integrate technology in their classes, creating and managing the online course program, facilitating tech training for parents, and leading outreach



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and training initiatives for parochial schools in the San Diego area. He also runs "iPads in the Classroom: A Conference for Educators." Additionally, Matt has been a Social Science teacher for 13 years and continues to teach AP American Government. He was recently named an Apple Distinguished Educator and has worked with Apple on several projects including the "Teaching with iPad and iTunes U" webcast series.

#### **Peter Balyta**

Peter Balyta, Ph.D., is president of the company's worldwide Education Technology division, a market leader in technology that improves the teaching and learning of math and science.

Since joining the Education Technology division in 2000, he has held marketing, sales and product strategy leadership roles in North America, Europe and Asia. Peter's strong understanding of worldwide markets, educators and channel partners, combined with his proven success implementing technology to increase student achievement in math and science, has improved students' readiness for college and career success.

Prior to joining Texas Instruments, Balyta was the district supervisor for mathematics and sciences for the Riverside School District in Quebec, Canada. In that role, he led the development and implementation of curriculum, instruction, evaluation and educational materials in mathematics, science, physical and health education at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels in a bilingual school district. He also provided strong organizational leadership and participated in the launch of major initiatives by the Department of Education.

Balyta holds a Ph.D. (2007) in Mathematics Education from McGill University, an M.B.A. (2003) in international management from the University of Texas Dallas, a M.Sc. (2000) in Mathematics from Concordia University, and a B.Ed. Secondary Mathematics Education from McGill University in 1994.











#### Thank You!

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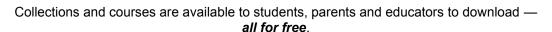
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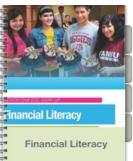
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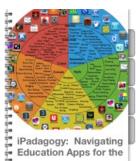
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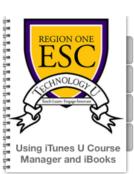
















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