



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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THE PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM EXIT POLICY FOR DISMISSAL OF CANDIDATES

It is a paramount goal of the Prairie View A & M University Educator Preparation Program (PVAMU EPP) to graduate and recommend for certification candidates who will be successful educators throughout the state of Texas. Occasionally, there are circumstances that warrant the dismissal of a candidate. When such action is deemed necessary, there are specific reasons and procedures that should be taken into consideration by all parties involved.

Per Texas Administrative Code 19 TAC 228.20(h), the reasons for termination from an EPP are noted below.

Reasons for Termination

- Undergraduate GPA falls below 2.75.
- Graduate Program GPA falls below 2.75.
- Mutual consent and agreement for termination by the public school partner Administrator and University Supervisor for reasons of illness, injury or other unforeseen personal circumstances.
- Violation of the Texas Professional Code (Code of Ethics) or Texas Education Code regulations.
- Failure by the student to establish and maintain a satisfactory performance level in classroom instruction and management.
- Failure by the PVAMU EPP candidate to abide by the policies of the PVAMU EPP, and/or public school partner, and/or school district.
- Unprofessional conduct towards school personnel, or students.
- Failure to address the requirements of a growth plan and show consistent progress.
- Non-renewal of teaching contract (for interns).
- Failure to pay fees in a timely manner.

Students who choose to withdraw from the PVAMU Educator Preparation Program (EPP) prior to graduation or certification will be required to complete a written statement via academic advisor or program director. The document outlines reasons for withdrawal, and understanding of graduation without TEA Certification. Re-entry into the program will be considered on an individual basis.

Paid fees will not be refunded in the event that a participant is withdrawn or dismissed from the program.

If the candidate does not agree with the decision of program dismissal, she/he may appeal via the ***PVAMU EPP Complaint Process***. Information about this process can be found online at: <https://www.pvamu.edu/education/forms/>. **There is a timeline for submitting complaints.**



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§228.20. Governance of Educator Preparation Programs.

(h) All EPPs shall have a published exit policy for dismissal of candidates that is reviewed and signed by candidates upon admission.

...amended to be effective October 15, 2020, 45 TexReg 7255.

I acknowledge that the Prairie View A&M University Educator Preparation Program (EPP) has informed me of the Program's **Exit Policy for Dismissal of Candidates**.

My signature below also acknowledges that I have received a copy of the PVAMU EPP policy document titled *"The Prairie View A&M University Educator Preparation Program Exit Policy for Dismissal of Candidates"*

NAME OF CANDIDATE (Please Print)

TEA ID #

PV ID#

OFFICIAL SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE

DATE SUBMITTED