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Abstract

Dropping out of school prior to the completion of requirements has become a nationwide problem of growing dimensions. The state legislature of Texas, not unlike legislatures in many other states, has charged educational professionals with overcoming or at least diminishing the present startling dropout rate. Through House Bill 1010, criterion have been assigned for the identification of the student who is at risk of dropping out of school. In this study 169 tenth grade dropouts were used to test the mandatory and optional criteria established by the legislature for identifying these students, as well as criteria most indicated by the literature reviewed.