

Texas Education Agency Performance-Based Monitoring

2019 RDA Masking Rules

“Masking” refers to the use of special symbols to conceal data for the purpose of protecting student confidentiality. The Results Driven Accountability (RDA) masks data in order to comply with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Data is masked by concealing information that could lead to the identification, either directly or indirectly, of

- 4) If the difference between the numerator and the denominator is less than 3:
 Rate: print the rate
 Numerator: print an asterisk (*)
 Denominator: print an asterisk (*)

- 5) If the numerator is less than 5 (including 0):
 Rate: print the rate
 Numerator: print an asterisk (*)
 Denominator: print an asterisk (*)

Step 2: Additional Masking

The following rules are used for certain special education RDA indicators to prevent the ability to calculate numerators, denominators, or rates of related indicators that were masked by previous rules.

- 6) If the overall **SPED representation** numerator and denominator are masked:
 Print an asterisk (*) for the numerators and denominators of: (a) any reported representation student group indicators, and (b) all instructional placement¹ indicators, including any associated reported student group indicators.

- 7) If any one of the **SPED instructional placement¹** indicators is masked:
 Print an asterisk (*) for the numerators and denominators of: (a) the **All Students** group of all four indicators, and (b) any reported placement student group indicators.

- 8) If any one of the **SPED disciplinary²** indicators is masked:
 Print an asterisk (*) for the numerators and denominators of (a) the **All Students** group of all five indicators (na)(nh)-2 (na)4 10.77 0 Td[, a)4 (nd ()3 (b))3 ()-10 d(i)-2 (ndi)-2 (c).72 3