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Conrad Coleman, Board President Third Future Schools – Texas 411 W. Monroe St. Austin, TX 78704-3025

Zach Craddock, Superintendent Third Future Schools – Texas 411 W. Monroe St. Austin, TX 78704-3025 NO RESPONSE REQUIRED

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SUBJECT: Investigation #s INV2024-05-260, INV2024-05-261, and INV2024-05-262

Dear Board President Coleman and Superintendent Craddock:

On May 14, 2024, the Texas Education Agency (TEA) received a complaint, the first of several, regarding three Texas school districts, Midland ISD, Ector County ISD, and Austin ISD and the operation of their partnerships with your organization, Third Future Schools – Texas. These complaints alleged several legal violations committed in the operation of the partnerships and the aforementioned school districts and Third Future Schools – Texas. The allegations were investigated, and TEA's findings and conclusions are contained in the report attached to this letter.

After analyzing the evidence gathered during the investigation, TEA concludes that these school districts and Third Future Schools – Texas have not violated any applicable Texas school laws. Additionally, TEA concludes that there is no merit to the allegations contained in the media reports that state funds were being inappropriately diverted from public school students in Texas.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, you may contact Lead Investigator Theresa Shutey at <u>theresa.shutey@tea.texas.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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