The State Education Data Landscape in Texas

Texas is data rich. Through three primary agencies, Texas collects data on pathways from early childhood through K–12, postsecondary, and the workforce. Parents, teachers, and other education partners then have access to this data through public and role-based tools, platforms, and publications. Though Texas has valuable information, Texans are often left wondering where to look for answers to their unique questions. No matter how robust, data systems must be built to meet their users’ needs. Moving forward, leaders in Texas should consider how to ensure that their state’s data system is meeting the needs of all Texans.