TRACS SCHOOL GUIDE – PREPARING THE SELF-STUDY

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The Self Study-Study is a document prepared in a narrative format that, along with the supporting documentation, will demonstrate your institution's compliance with TRACS standards.

RECOMMENDED STEPS FOR PREPARING YOUR SCHOOL'S SELF-STUDY

- 1. Attend TRACS's Workshops.
- 2. Assign Self-Study committee members.
- 3. Download TRACS's Self Study Guidelines and TRACS's Documenting Compliance publications.
- 4. Share TRACS workshop information with the Self-Study committee members.
- 5. Prepare the Self-Study proposal and submit at TRACS portal.
- 6. Host the Self-Study Staff Visit.
- 7. Issue the school's Policies and Procedures Manual aligned with TRACS's standards.
- 8. Provide training to all personnel on newly adopted Policies and Procedures.
- 9. Committee members start working on the writing of the Self-Study sections and supporting documentation.
- 10. Conduct weekly Self-Study committee meetings to confirm progress.
- 11. Ask committee members to provide feedback on Self-Study sections assigned to other personnel.
- 12. Consult often with TRACS staff for clarifications and guidance.
- 13. Submit final Self-Study report and supporting documentation.

SELF-STUDY SECTIONS

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REFERENCES

- TRACS Self-Study Guidelines.
- TRACS Documenting Compliance: Evaluative Criteria and Typical Documentation.

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