

# Welcome

Welcome to the Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities (LASO) 25-26 Cycle 4 application.

This consolidated application streamlines school system's access to grant funding, allotments, and in-kind supports and services across 15 opportunities.

## Introduction

This application includes 15 initiatives available for school systems to apply for in LASO Cycle 4.

To ensure an informed selection, please follow these steps:

- **Review Program Guidelines:** Examine the program guidelines and resources for each initiative to understand its purpose, eligibility requirements, and assurances.
- **Engage Internal Teams:** Consult with key stakeholders (e.g., board, superintendent, district leaders, campus leaders etc.) to determine which initiatives best align with your school system's needs and capacity.
- **Select Initiatives:** Identify the initiatives that best support your local priorities.
- **Complete the Application:** Submit responses only for the initiatives your school system chooses to apply for.

Review each initiative by clicking the links to its program guidelines below:

### Curriculum & Instruction Serving Grants

- [Leadership & Instructional Foundations for Texas \(LIFT\)](#)
  - *LIFT merges programs formerly known as Strong Foundations- SF, Texas Instructional Leadership- TIL, and Texas Lesson Study- TXLS*
- [LIFT Add-On: School Improvement PLC Support \(LIFT SI PLC\)](#)
  - *(available only for Title I Comprehensive, Targeted, and Addtl Targeted)*
- [School Improvement Curriculum and Instruction Support Grant \(SI CISG\)](#)
  - *(available only for Title I Comprehensive, Targeted, and Addtl Targeted)*
- [Blended Learning Grant \(BLG\)](#)
  - *Two Cohorts: Academic – Math or RLA cohort and Strategic Operations Cohort*
- [AP Computer Science Principles \(APCSP\)](#)

### Education and Training

- [PREP Program Allotment](#)
  - [PREP Residency Preservice Program](#)
  - [PREP Grow Your Own \(GYO\) Program](#)
  - [PREP Mentorship Program](#)
- [Texas Strategic Staffing for Residencies \(TSS\) Grant](#)

### More Time

- [Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program \(ADSY PEP\)](#)
  - *Two Cohorts: Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning*

### Innovative School Models - Launch Grants

- [School Action Fund \(SAF\)](#)
- [Navigating Excellence through Targeted Supports \(NEXT\)](#)
- [Early College High School \(ECHS\)](#)
- [Pathways in Technology Early College High School \(P-TECH\)](#)
- [Virtual and Hybrid Program Accelerator \(VHPA\)](#)

## Additional Resources and Considerations

### Additional Resources

- [Initiative One-Pagers](#): Provides school systems with a concise summary of each initiative in LASO Cycle 4.
- [Eligibility & Prioritization Matrix](#): Provides eligibility and prioritization criteria that will enable a school system to predict the likelihood of receiving an award.
- [Initiative Selection Tool](#): Provides a Scenario map to guide selection of the right fitting initiative based on need.
- [Role and Responsibilities Insight Tool](#): Identifies the types of responsibilities for each role and show where roles overlap across initiatives.

### Key Considerations for Submission

- Each school system may submit only one application. If multiple applications are submitted, only the most recent submission (based on timestamp) will be accepted.
- The application must be signed by the superintendent to be considered formally submitted. Only signed applications will be scored and considered for award. If the superintendent is unavailable to sign by the deadline, email [LASO@texas.tea.gov](mailto:LASO@texas.tea.gov) for guidance.
- School systems have 60 days to complete the application. The application opens on October 3, 2025, and must be submitted by December 3, 2025, at 5:00 PM CT.

## Overview

### General School System Information

Select the ESC region that serves the school system.

ESC Region:	<input type="text" value="ESC 07: Kilgore"/>
School System:	<input type="text" value="LONGVIEW ISD-(092903)"/>

### School System Contact Information

Enter the contact information for the employee who is completing this application.

*Note: There may be multiple roles at the school system completing different sections of this application - this entry is for the primary contact.*

School System Employee Name:	<input type="text" value="Loretta Thompson Martin"/>
School System Employee Title:	<input type="text" value="Director Federal Programs and Grants"/>
School System Employee Email:	<input type="text" value="lthompsonmartin@lisd.org"/>

### Superintendent Contact Information

Enter the school system superintendent's contact information.

Superintendent Name:	<input type="text" value="Dr Marla Sheppard"/>
Superintendent Email:	<input type="text" value="msheppard@lisd.org"/>

### School System Calendar

For the 2026–27 school year, select the option that best describes your school system’s instructional calendar:

- 165 or more instructional days
- Fewer than 165 instructional days
- Fewer than 165 instructional days in 2026–27, but planning to transition to 165 or more days in a future year

### LASO Cycle 4 Assurances

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Commit to all assurances associated with the initiatives they intend to apply for.  
*Failure to agree to these assurances may prevent the school system from completing the application or being considered for awards.*

- Ensure the superintendent approves participation in all selected initiatives.

*If assurances are not met or the school system disengages from the supports/initiatives provided, TEA may impose conditions on the award, including terminating participation or reducing awarded funds.*

- Meet the [General and Fiscal Guidelines](#).

The school system certifies its commitment to all assurances listed above?

- Yes  
 No

## Initiative Selection

Below is the list of initiatives available in LASO Cycle 4. Review the [program guidelines](#) and [one-pagers](#) with key information for each initiative. Then select the set of initiatives that best meet your school system’s local needs and priorities.

### Curriculum & Instruction Grants

- Leadership and Instructional Foundations for Texas (LIFT)
- LIFT Add-On: School Improvement PLC Support (LIFT SI PLC)
- School Improvement Curriculum and Instruction Support Grant (SI CISG)
- Blended Learning Grant (BLG)
- Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles (APCSP)

### Education & Training Allotments and Grant

- PREP Residency Preservice Program
- PREP Grow Your Own (GYO) Program
- PREP Mentorship Program
- Texas Strategic Staffing for Residencies (TSS) Grant

### More Time Grants

- Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP) Grant

### Innovative School Models - Launch Grants

- School Action Fund (SAF)
- Navigating Excellence through Targeted Supports (NEXT)
- Early College High School (ECHS)
- Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH)
- Virtual and Hybrid Program Accelerator (VHPA)

## Leadership and Instructional Foundations for Texas (LIFT)

### Initiative Description:

LIFT (Leadership and Instructional Foundations for Texas) is a three-year program designed to support Texas school systems in building the instructional and systems-level capacity needed to deliver high-quality learning experiences for all students. LIFT brings together the highest leverage components of Strong Foundations, Texas Instructional Leadership, and Texas Lesson Study, providing comprehensive support for school systems to adopt **high-quality instructional material (HQIM)** and implement **Bluebonnet Learning (BL)** over multiple years.

Review the Eligibility Criteria and Initiative Assurances listed below and indicate the school system’s acceptance.

### Eligibility Criteria:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Commit to selecting and implementing a [State Board of Education \(SBOE\)](#)-approved high-quality instructional material (HQIM) in the 2027–28 school year.

OR

- Commit to implementing a Bluebonnet Learning (BL) product in the 2026–27 school year.

*Note: Participation in other grant programs does not disqualify applicants but may be considered during prioritization.*

### Initiative Assurances:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Commit to (with Board approval) implementing a Bluebonnet Learning (BL) product in the 2026–27 school year (if applying to the “Implementation Phase”) OR committing to selecting and implementing a State Board of Education (SBOE)-approved high-quality instructional material (HQIM) in the 2027–28 school year (if applying to the “Planning Phase”).
- Contract with an Approved Provider from the LASO Cycle 4 State Approved Provider List for LIFT.
- Submit Approved Provider contracts and required funding summary reports to TEA.
- Secure approval from the Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer (or equivalent leader) to participate in the program.
- Appoint a designated LIFT lead as the primary point of contact and identify at least two additional contacts.  
*Note: The primary point of contact should be the equivalent of a senior academic team member or principal manager.*
- Participate in required TEA-led activities, including a grant kick-off and communities of practice.
- Engage relevant school system and campus leaders, including special programs leadership, as well as teachers, instructional coaches, and special population educators in upfront training, implementation support, and coaching.
- Participate in a needs assessment of current instructional practices and materials.
- Establish or refine systems for instructional leadership, schoolwide routines, and observation and feedback.
- Submit all required grant deliverables, including instructional framework artifacts, implementation plans, school system-level instructional materials transition plan, campus-level implementation action plans, classroom, campus, and school system-level observation data and student outcomes data and progress updates as requested by the Approved Provider or the TEA.
- Participate in TEA-administered surveys and/or focus groups, as requested.
- Use grant funds in alignment with the required allocation structure and ensuring all expenditures support the goals of the LIFT program.
- Permit Approved Providers access to campuses to provide in-person support.
- Ensure teachers have sufficient planning time and use the required protocols.
- Provide print materials for all participating teachers and students.
- Follow the year-long scope and sequence for the instructional materials.
- Meet the minimum number of instructional minutes for the instructional materials.
- Ensure that a number of instructional leaders, aligned with the school system size, will actively participate in monthly implementation support and coaching provided by the Approved Provider.
- Ensure that the school system cabinet regularly engages in data reflection/performance management routines.

1. Does the school system agree to meet the Eligibility Criteria and Initiative Assurances listed above?

- Yes  
 No

## Leadership and Instructional Foundations for Texas (LIFT) (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Questions for the Leadership and Instructional Foundations for Texas (LIFT) Grant

For each content area below, please indicate your district’s current intention regarding the implementation of high-quality instructional materials (HQIM).

*You may select different options for each content area.*

#### K–5 English or Spanish Language Arts and Reading (ELAR/SLAR)

1. For which activity are you seeking LIFT technical assistance support in K-5 ELAR or SLAR?

- Implement **Bluebonnet Learning K–5 ELAR** in 2026–27 and/or **Bluebonnet Learning K-5 SLAR** if approved by SBOE  
 Select an **SBOE-approved HQIM** during the planning year in 2026-27 and implement that HQIM in 2027-28  
 Neither of the above

#### K–5 Mathematics

2. For which activity are you seeking LIFT technical assistance support in K-5 Math?

- Implement **Bluebonnet Learning K–5 Math** in 2026–27 and/or **Bluebonnet Learning K-5 Math (Spanish)** if SBOE approved

- Select an **SBOE-approved HQIM** in 2026-27 during the planning year in 2026-27 and implement that HQIM in 2027-28
- Neither of the above

### Secondary Mathematics

3. For which activity are you seeking LIFT technical assistance support in 6-8 and/or Algebra I Mathematics, or Geometry or Algebra II if approved by SBOE?

- Implement **Bluebonnet Learning Secondary Math** in 2026–27
- Select an **SBOE-approved HQIM** during the planning year in 2026-27 and implement that HQIM in 2027-28
- Neither of the above

## Leadership and Instructional Foundations for Texas (LIFT) (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Questions for the Leadership and Instructional Foundations for Texas (LIFT) Grant

For each content area below, please indicate your school system’s current intention regarding the implementation of high-quality instructional materials (HQIM).

The LIFT grant provides monthly implementation support and coaching from a State-Approved Provider. By applying for this grant, your organization is committing to active participation in this support, specifically for instructional leaders – both at the campus and school system levels. Each participating campus must have one leader receiving coaching. Each of the participating campus and school system leaders must be directly involved in supporting teachers with the implementation of selected instructional materials. Additionally, the school system leader must be directly involved in supporting the campus leaders.

4. How many campus principals will the school system commit to receiving monthly implementation support and coaching visits from the Approved Provider?

Total number of principals to be coached :

5. How many school system-based instructional leaders (e.g. principal managers, executive director of instruction, associate superintendent) will the school system commit to receiving monthly implementation support and coaching visits from the Approved Provider?

Total number of leaders to be coached:

6. Does the school system commit to having, or working towards having, 165+ instructional days in the 2026-2027 academic year?

- Yes
- No

7. Has the school system implemented a CER OER product in previous academic years?

- Yes
- No

8. Enter the contact information for the school system’s primary point of contact for the LIFT grant.

Name:

Email:

Phone:

9. Enter the contact information for the school system’s secondary points of contact for the LIFT grant.

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Name:

Email:

Phone:

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts

### Initiative Description:

The Additional Days School Year (ADSY) Grant is a voluntary, three-year grant initiative designed to support school systems and open-enrollment charter schools in developing and sustaining high-quality ADSY programs.

The ADSY grant provides participating local education agencies (LEAs) with comprehensive support to design programs that are grounded in research and aligned with evidence-based practices that improve student outcomes. The program structure includes:

- Year 1: Planning - School systems engage in a year-long planning process with TEA-approved technical assistance providers to design a strategic, research-aligned ADSY model tailored to their local context.
- Years 2-3: Implementation Refinement and Continuous Improvement - School systems receive ongoing support to strengthen program quality, monitor outcomes, and make data-informed adjustments to ensure long-term success and sustainability.

This structured approach builds school system capacity in program design, strategic planning, and change management. It ensures that additional instructional days are effectively implemented and aligned with school system priorities to maximize academic impact.

School systems participating in the Grade 6- 8 Expansion opportunity pilot will follow a slightly shorter timeline, with grant support lasting for two years.

School systems will be able to select between two ADSY models, Full Year and Summer, to receive planning and implementation support aligned with research-based best practices.

Review the Eligibility Criteria and Initiative Assurances listed below and indicate the school system's acceptance.

### Eligibility Criteria:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Participating campuses must operate on a 175-day instructional calendar or have a board-approved plan to implement such a calendar by the 2026–2027 school year.
- Campus must be implementing an IMRA-approved product as their Tier 1 during the regular school year.

*Note: For Campuses That Have Not Previously Accessed ADSY Funding Under the ADSY Planning and Execution Program (PEP)*

- The participating campus must serve students in one or more grade levels within PK–5.

*Note: Previously Participated in ADSY PEP and Seek to Expand to Grades 6–8*

- The participating campus(es) must serve students in one or more grade levels within 6-8.

### Initiative Assurances:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Assign a qualified and experienced project manager with district-level decision-making authority who can align campus-based actions with district goals, and who will:
  - Attend all Learning Community professional development workshops.
  - Participate in calls with the designated approved provider.
  - Lead the District's ADSY PEP steering committee.
  - Ensure timely and high-quality completion of the LEA's ADSY PEP strategic plan and deliverables.
- Form a cross-departmental Steering Committee that meets at least monthly and includes representatives from both the Finance and Curriculum & Instruction teams to guide strategic planning.
- Attend and actively participate in all required grant orientation meetings, Professional Development sessions, Technical Assistance (TA) meetings, and maintain open, responsive communication with the assigned TA provider throughout the grant period.
- Complete the comprehensive ADSY PEP Strategic Plan using the provided planning resources and templates, and submit it by the designated deadlines.

- Understand that continuation in the ADSY PEP grant is contingent upon demonstrated effort to implement feedback, adherence to all grant requirements, and evidence of yearly progress.
- Failure to secure board approval of an ADSY-eligible calendar (defined as a 175-day base instructional calendar with 75,600 operational minutes) for the 2026–2027 school year at participating campuses will result in ineligibility to continue in ADSY PEP.
- Maintain the annual ADSY-eligible calendar approval process at participating campuses for the full duration of the grant, and acknowledge that failure to secure board approval in future years during the ADSY PEP grant cycle will result in ineligibility for continued funding, if available.

1. Does the school system agree to meet the Eligibility Criteria and Initiative Assurances listed above?

- Yes  
 No

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### ADSY Calendar Requirement:

Additional Days School Year funding is the foundation of the ADSY grant and includes an eligibility requirement of conducting a minimum of 175-day instructional calendar at the participating campuses.

1. Does the school system agree to the ADSY grant requirement of implementing and maintaining a base academic calendar of 175 instructional days and 75,600 operational minutes, and adding at least 25 Additional Days (aligned to the approved model) to the calendar at the eligible campuses for the full duration of the grant?

- Yes  
 No

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### ADSY Pathway:

1. Has the school system previously participated in the ADSY Full Year or Summer Cohort?

- Yes  
 No

1a. Please select the option that best represents your school system’s current ADSY implementation status. This will help route to the correct application sections:

*Note: The school system has previously participated in the ADSY Full Year or ADSY Summer program with grant support. For this application cycle, the school system may apply for ADSY grant with up to three new-to-ADSY campuses.*

- Category 1 – New PK–5 Campus Participation

Applying for one or more campuses serving grades PK–5 that have never received ADSY formula funding under any prior ADSY grant.

- Category 2 – Expansion to Grades 6–8

Previously participated in ADSY (Summer or Full Year) and is now seeking to expand ADSY implementation to include grades 6–8

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### School systems interested in Category 2 –Expansion to Grades 6–8

*Note: The school system has previously participated in the ADSY Full Year or Summer cohort with grant support. For this application cycle, the school system may apply to ADSY with up to three new campuses.*

Enter the number of ADSY eligible campuses the school system is applying for. (Min: 1, Max: 3 but not to exceed the number of available campuses)

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## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### ADSY school systems who are interested in Category 2 –Expansion to Grades 6–8

1. Please select the first ADSY-eligible campuses

FOREST PARK MAGNET SCHOOL-(092903041)

2. Please indicate which ADSY cohort the school system is applying for:

- ADSY Summer
- ADSY Full Year

3. Does the selected campus currently operate on a 175+ instructional day calendar (not including staff development waivers) for the 2025-2026 school year?

- Yes
- No

3a. How many instructional days (not including staff development waivers) does the calendar have?

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3b. Upload the calendar PDFs (or all calendars if campuses are operating with different instructional day counts)

*Note: Upload a PDF file using the following naming convention - [School System or Campus Name].[Initiative Acronym].[Document Name].pdf*

[Longview ISD.ADSY.Calendar 2025-2026.pdf](#)

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4. Is the school system currently implementing an IMRA-approved, full-subject HQIM for Math at ALL the campuses anticipated to participate in ADSY PEP?

- Yes
- No

5. What is the full name of the Math instructional material(s)

Curriculum Associates

6. Is the school system currently implementing an IMRA-approved, full-subject HQIM for RLA at ALL the campuses anticipated to participate in ADSY PEP?

- Yes
- No

7. What is the full name of the RLA instructional material(s)

HMH

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Requirements for the ADSY Summer Cohort

*Note: School systems that agree with program specific requirements will be prioritized.*

1. Does the school system agree to implement an ADSY summer program lasting between 25 and 30 days, with each day including at least 360 minutes (6 hours) of total programming, which must include::

- A minimum of 180 minutes (3 hours) dedicated to math and reading instruction.
- At least 60 minutes (1 hour) of TEKS-based enrichment activities aligned with core subjects, based on local needs and STAAR data.
- The remaining 120 minutes (2 hours) should include:
  1. 60 minutes (1 hour) of traditional enrichment activities, such as arts, science exploration, or sports.
  2. 60 minutes (1 hour) can be dedicated to transitions, lunch, and other flexible needs.

- Yes  
 No

2. Does the school system agree to implement a summer academic strategy that is data-driven and that aligns with both the regular-year HQIM and regular-year academic strategy?

- Yes  
 No

3. Does the school system agree to implement a staffing model that ensures teachers are assigned to students in the same grade level they taught in the previous year or will teach in the following year?

- Yes  
 No

4. Does the school system understand that teachers who meet the school system's certification requirements must provide at least three hours of academic instruction focused on math and reading and one hour of enrichment aligned to core subjects on dedicated ADSY summer program days?

- Yes  
 No

5. Does the school system agree to develop a Summer Program Impact Report each year using the tools and templates provided by the grant program and share the Impact Report with TEA and stakeholders?

- Yes  
 No

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

**ADSY school systems who are interested in Category 2 –Expansion to Grades 6–8**

1. Select the second ADSY-eligible campuses

FOSTER MIDDLE-(092903042)

2. Please indicate which ADSY cohort the school system is applying for:

- ADSY Summer
- ADSY Full Year

3. Does the selected campus currently operate on a 175+ instructional day calendar (not including staff development waivers) for the 2025-2026 school year?

- Yes
- No

3a. How many instructional days (not including staff development waivers) does the calendar have?

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3b. Upload the calendar PDFs (or all calendars if campuses are operating with different instructional day counts)

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4. Is the school system currently implementing an IMRA-approved, full-subject HQIM for Math at ALL the campuses anticipated to participate in ADSY PEP?

- Yes
- No

5. What is the full name of the Math instructional material(s)

Curriculum Associates

6. Is the District currently implementing an IMRA-approved, full-subject HQIM for RLA at ALL the campuses anticipated to participate in ADSY PEP?

- Yes
- No

7. What is the full name of the RLA instructional material(s)

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## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Requirements for the ADSY Summer Cohort

*Note: School systems that agree with program specific requirements will be prioritized.*

1. Does the school system agree to implement an ADSY summer program lasting between 25 and 30 days, with each day including at least 360 minutes (6 hours) of total programming, which must include::

- A minimum of 180 minutes (3 hours) dedicated to math and reading instruction.
- At least 60 minutes (1 hour) of TEKS-based enrichment activities aligned with core subjects, based on local needs and STAAR data.
- The remaining 120 minutes (2 hours) should include:
  1. 60 minutes (1 hour) of traditional enrichment activities, such as arts, science exploration, or sports.
  2. 60 minutes (1 hour) can be dedicated to transitions, lunch, and other flexible needs.

- Yes  
 No

2. Does the school system agree to implement a summer academic strategy that is data-driven and that aligns with both the regular-year HQIM and regular-year academic strategy?

- Yes  
 No

3. Does the school system agree to implement a staffing model that ensures teachers are assigned to students in the same grade level they taught in the previous year or will teach in the following year?

- Yes  
 No

4. Does the school system understand that teachers who meet the school system's certification requirements must provide at least three hours of academic instruction focused on math and reading and one hour of enrichment aligned to core subjects on dedicated ADSY summer program days?

- Yes  
 No

5. Does the school system agree to develop a Summer Program Impact Report each year using the tools and templates provided by the grant program and share the Impact Report with TEA and stakeholders?

- Yes  
 No

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### ADSY school systems who are interested in Category 2 –Expansion to Grades 6–8

1. Select the third ADSY-eligible campuses

JUDSON STEAM ACADEMY-(092903044)

2. Indicate which ADSY cohort you are applying for:

- ADSY Summer  
 ADSY Full Year

3. Does the selected campus currently operate on a 175+ instructional day calendar (not including staff development waivers) for the 2025-2026 school year?

- Yes

No

3a. How many instructional days (not including staff development waivers) does the calendar have?

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3b. Upload the calendar PDFs (or all calendars if campuses are operating with different instructional day counts)

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4. Is the school system currently implementing an IMRA-approved, full-subject HQIM for Math at ALL the campuses anticipated to participate in ADSY PEP?

Yes

No

5. What is the full name of the Math instructional material(s)

Curriculum Associates

6. Is the school system currently implementing an IMRA-approved, full-subject HQIM for RLA at ALL the campuses anticipated to participate in ADSY PEP?

Yes

No

7. What is the full name of the RLA instructional material(s)

HMH

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Requirements for the ADSY Summer Cohort

*Note: School systems that agree with program specific requirements will be prioritized.*

1. Does the school system agree to implement an ADSY summer program lasting between 25 and 30 days, with each day including at least 360 minutes (6 hours) of total programming, which must include::

- A minimum of 180 minutes (3 hours) dedicated to math and reading instruction.
- At least 60 minutes (1 hour) of TEKS-based enrichment activities aligned with core subjects, based on local needs and STAAR data.
- The remaining 120 minutes (2 hours) should include:
  1. 60 minutes (1 hour) of traditional enrichment activities, such as arts, science exploration, or sports.
  2. 60 minutes (1 hour) can be dedicated to transitions, lunch, and other flexible needs.

Yes

No

2. Does the school system agree to implement a summer academic strategy that is data-driven and that aligns with both the regular-year HQIM

and regular-year academic strategy?

- Yes
- No

3. Does the school system agree to implement a staffing model that ensures teachers are assigned to students in the same grade level they taught in the previous year or will teach in the following year?

- Yes
- No

4. Does the school system understand that teachers who meet the school system's certification requirements must provide at least three hours of academic instruction focused on math and reading and one hour of enrichment aligned to core subjects on dedicated ADSY summer program days?

- Yes
- No

5. Does the school system agree to develop a Summer Program Impact Report each year using the tools and templates provided by the grant program and share the Impact Report with TEA and stakeholders?

- Yes
- No

## Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP): Full Year Redesign and Summer Learning Cohorts (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Questions for both Cohorts

1. Does the school system currently have a formal partnership in a written agreement with an SBEC-approved educator preparation program (EPP)?

- Yes
- No

1a. Enter the name(s) of the school system's EPP Partnerships. (*comma separated*)

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1b. Should the occasion arise, would the school system be interested in exploring a grant-supported opportunity that overlaps the ADSY model with the school system's EPP partnership (e.g., Residency, ACP, etc.)?

- Yes
- No

2. Are any of the campuses in this ADSY application currently on the [Resource Campus Eligibility List](#)?

- Yes
- No

## School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation (SAF) Grant

### Initiative Description:

School Actions are whole-school strategies districts use to increase access to high-quality schools, meet community needs, and address chronic underperformance. By providing technical assistance and grant funds to support school actions for individual campuses, TEA also supports school districts to take strategic actions that both improve schools and provide communities, parents, and families with the schools and programs

they want, need, and deserve.

All School Action Fund (SAF) grantees must plan and implement an ESF-aligned, evidence-based model that includes development of a strategic schedule that maximizes instructional staff and time; assignment and empowerment of a campus leader with a track record of success to plan and implement the school action and model; and implementation of high quality instructional materials (HQIM, as defined later in these Program Guidelines) and research-based instructional strategies (RBIS).

Review the Eligibility Criteria, Initiative Assurances, and Initiative Requirements listed below and indicate the school system's acceptance.

### Eligibility Criteria:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Relevant campuses meet grant specific eligibility requirements of the 2026-2027 School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation Grant (SAF) to apply. See Eligibility List [here](#).

*Note: Eligible applicants are school systems that apply on behalf of campuses that are Title I-serving school-wide and Comprehensive Support-identified, Targeted Support-identified, or Additional Targeted Support-identified, based on SY 2024-25 ratings. For new schools, there must be clear Title I, Part A eligibility and intent to obtain Title I-serving status for SY 2027-28 and beyond.*

*To be eligible, a campus may not have received any School Action Fund (SAF) grants, including TCLAS Decision 10 and any LASO SAF grants, since 2019-2020 (Planning, Continuation, or Implementation).*

### Initiative Assurances:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

*Note: The Superintendent, Chief Academic Officer and/or Chief Innovation/Transformation Officer, School Action Fund Project Manager (who has Cabinet-level access and decision-making authority), Chief Financial Officer, and any Superintendent designee understand that the School System (Applicant) assure that they know the following commitments.*

- Aware that if awarded a Restart Action School System-Run ACE model Planning grant, and the campus is eligible for Resource campus designation, the grantee will be required to meet all Resource designation expectations by the end of the 2nd (second) year of implementation. More information about Resource Campus designation can be found [here](#).
- Regularly submit their expenditures (monthly preferred, quarterly at minimum) to remain on-track for grant expenditures.
- If a specific campus has not yet been identified, SAF grantee School Systems use a data-informed evaluation process and criteria (both quantitative and qualitative), and an appropriate timeline for identifying the campus(es) for school action(s), **by Gate 0 of the first year of the awarded grant.**
- Required to select a school system level (Central Office) staff member who is both qualified and experienced in project and program management to manage the planning and implementation of the grant.
- School Action Fund Project Manager must attend regular meetings, at least monthly, with the TEA SAF program staff.
- The school system level (central office) Business/Finance Office staff member responsible for overseeing SAF grant expenditures and drawdown processes must attend at least two meetings per semester with the school system's School Action Fund Project Manager and TEA SAF program staff.
- Fully implement high-quality instructional materials (HQIM, as described in the SY 2026-27 School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation grant's Program Guidelines) on the awarded campus(es) by **Year 1 (one)** of Continuation/Implementation, in both Mathematics and Reading Language Arts classes/courses.
- Implement strategic scheduling programs that require operational and staffing shifts to optimize time and accelerate instruction at the SAF campus(es) by Year 1 (one) of Continuation/Implementation as defined by the TEA, unless otherwise approved or stated by the TEA.

### Initiative Requirements:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- The SAF grantee must fully implement the selected school action and model, identifying flexible and autonomous practices, as well as campus-specific goals and metrics aligned with school system policies. These must be documented in a Performance Agreement (for school system-run actions) or a Partnership Performance Contract (for partner-managed actions), signed by the campus leader and the school system superintendent and/or Board of Trustees by **May 31, 2027**.
- The SAF grantee school system's Board of Trustees must complete TEA-approved board training by Gate 3 of Year 1 of the awarded grant..
- Any campus that is closing, or potentially being repurposed, as part of a SY 2026-27 School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation grant, **must** follow TAC rules regarding CDCN requirements (County District Campus Number), and Campus Repurposing and Closure, including TAC 97.1066. (More information can be found [here](#).)
- Guarantee that school leaders of awarded campuses have at least 20 hours of release time built into their weekly schedules to plan the school action(s) and model(s).
- Select a TEA-codified school model and assign and empower a campus leader who has a track record of success to lead the planning and implementation of the school action and model.

1. Does the school system agree to meet the Eligibility Criteria, Initiative Assurances, and Initiative Requirements listed above?

- Yes  
 No

## School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation (SAF) Grant (cont.)

### Requirements for School Action Fund Applicants/Grantees of "Partner-Managed" Actions

1. Is the school system applying for any Partner-Managed Actions?

- Yes  
 No

## School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation (SAF) Grant (cont.)

### Requirements for School Action Fund Applicants/Grantees of "Create New School" actions

1. Is the school system applying for any "Create New School" actions?

- Yes  
 No

2. Does the school system agree to all the requirements listed below?

- Applicants selecting "Create New School" must select and designate a campus leader no later than **June 5, 2026**, and commit to that campus leader's full participation in the New School Design Fellowship program beginning Summer 2026.
- Applicants must follow TAC rules regarding CDCN requirements (County District Campus Number), including TAC 97.1066  
**NOTE:** Campus "phase-out" is not supported by the 2026-2027 School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation grant.
- Applicants selecting "Create New School" school actions must include the new campus in its Title I ESSA plan in time for SY2027-2028.
- Applicants assure enrollment at a "New School" will prioritize students previously attending, or zoned to, a Title I-serving and Comprehensive Support-identified, Targeted Support-identified, or Additional Targeted Support-identified school (2024-2025 ratings).

- Yes  
 No

## School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation (SAF) Grant (cont.)

### School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation Grant Initiative-Specific Questions

- Only **one** Action, **one** Governance Structure, and **one** Model may be selected for each eligible campus.
- School systems are limited to a maximum of 6 (six) awards across all actions; and 4 (four) awards per action.
- For descriptions of each Action, click [here](#) for details.
- School system with a Board of Trustees-approved SY2026-27 Additional Days School Year (ADSY) Calendar with at least 200 days must attach:
  - Board of Trustees-approved SY2026-27 Additional Days School Year (ADSY) Calendar with at least 200 days
  - School system Board of Trustees Resolution approving the SY2026-27 ADSY Calendar

1. On behalf of how many campus(es) is the school system applying for:

**Restart Actions?** (0 to 4)

2. On behalf of how many campus(es) is the school system applying for:

**Create New School Actions?** (0 to 4)

3. On behalf of how many campus(es) is the school system applying for:

**Reassign Actions?** (0 to 4)

**Caution:** The selected campus cannot have received its fourth consecutive year of an unacceptable rating (F or equivalent).

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4. Does the school system understand that Redesign Actions are no longer available through the School Action Fund?

**Note:** If a school system is interested in redesigning a campus, please consider the **Additional Days School Year Full Year Redesign Grant (ADSY FYR)** available in LASO 4.

- Yes
- No

5. Does the school system have a Board of Trustee approved ADSY calendar with a minimum of 175 days and at least 25 additional/separate instructional / enrichment days?

- Yes
- No

## School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation (SAF) Grant (cont.)

### Create New School Actions

In **Create New School Actions**, a new school with a new CDCN, new campus leader, and an **Advanced STEM** model (see [here](#) for details) is designed and started in a new facility, an unoccupied existing facility, or co-located with another district program, school, or department in an existing facility. School systems will implement all aspects of the school model in **Year 1** of Implementation.

Select First Campus

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## School Action Fund-Planning and Implementation (SAF) Grant (cont.)

### Create New School Action for

1. Will the new school be School System-Run or Partner-Managed?

- School System-Run (Advanced STEM)
- Partner-Managed (Innovation)

2. Is the school system applying for a Planning grant or Implementation grant for the new school?

- Planning
- Implementation

3. Which grade levels will be served by the new school if new school is opening in during SY2026–27, or if opening in SY2027-28?

- Kindergarten
- 1st Grade
- 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade
- 4th Grade
- 5th Grade
- 6th Grade
- 7th Grade
- 8th Grade

# Early College High School (ECHS)

## Initiative Description:

The ECHS program is an open-enrollment initiative that integrates college and high school coursework, enabling students to earn a high school diploma and associate degree while still in high school. Designed to support underserved and at-risk students, Early College High Schools offer a successful pathway to postsecondary education. The ECHS program requires that campuses maintain a partnership with an institution of higher education (IHE) to provide dual credit opportunities.

Review the Eligibility Criteria and Initiative Assurances listed below and indicate the school system's acceptance.

## Eligibility Criteria:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to serving students in Grades 9–12  
or will begin serving students in Grade 9  
or students in Grades 9 and 10 in the first year of implementation (2027-2028) and will progressively scale up by adding at least one grade level per year after the first year of implementation.
- All current ECHS planning, provisional or designated campuses are not eligible to apply.
- All recipients of previous ECHS Planning and Implementation or LASO Grants are not eligible to apply.
- Any campus that has been given CCRSM Needs Improvement status is not eligible to apply.

## Initiative Assurances:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- ECHS campuses must establish recruitment and enrollment processes and requirements that will not exclude or discourage the enrollment of any of the subpopulations of at-risk students, including, but not limited to, students who are of limited English proficiency or who have failed a state-administered assessment.
- At TEA's request, ECHS campuses must submit a data report of enrollment guidelines that follow the enrollment requirements outlined in the statutory requirements of this grant. Enrollment Guidelines should clearly document enrollment policies and practices to include admissions policies of performance-blind, open access systems that encourage and consider applications from all students or a weighted lottery that factors 10 students who are at-risk as defined by the PEIMS (TEC §29.081) or who are part of the targeted subpopulations for ECHS.
- At TEA's request, ECHS campuses must submit a data report of stakeholder input methods used to obtain input about the implementation of the program from students, parents, community, postsecondary partners, with regular activities to educate students, parents, counselors, community, district staff, and school board members.
- At TEA's request, ECHS campuses must submit an academic year signed and dated memorandum of understanding (MOU) and course articulation agreement with one or more college partners that fulfills the statutory requirements of this grant. The agreement must address curriculum alignment, instructional material, instructional calendar, courses of study that lead to an associate degree or up to 60 hours of college credit toward a baccalaureate degree, student enrollment and attendance, grading periods and policies, administration of statewide assessments, and data-sharing policies and procedures.
- At TEA's request, ECHS campuses must submit a plan of wrap-around strategies and services to provide academic, behavioral, and mental health supports for student success to include a plan for academic mentoring of faculty and student supports for intervention and acceleration, counseling, guidance, and student advisory services for academic, and mental health supports, and behavioral and mental health supports such as parent outreach, connections to social services when needed, and peer mentoring.
- At TEA's request, ECHS campuses must submit a data report of leadership team members, meeting dates, and agendas (including attendance) posted on the school's website.
- The applicant agrees to complete and submit the required CCRSM planning application prior to the beginning of the next school year.

1. Does the school system agree to meet the Eligibility Criteria and Initiative Assurances listed above?

- Yes  
 No

# Early College High School (ECHS) (cont.)

## Campus Selection for the Early College High School (ECHS) Grant

*Note: Current ECHS planning, provisional, or designated campuses, recipients of previous ECHS Planning and Implementation Grants or LASO ECHS Grants, and any campus with CCRSM Needs Improvement status are **not eligible** to apply.*

1. Does your school system currently operate any Early College High School(s) (ECHS) or Pathways in Technology Early College High School(s) (P-TECH)?

- Yes
- No

2. How many **new campuses** within your school system would be considered for this grant?

*(Min: 1, Max: 3 but not to exceed the number of available campuses)*

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## Early College High School (ECHS) (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Questions for the Early College High School (ECHS) Grant

Please select the first campus to be considered for this grant:

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1. In 300 words or less, detail how your campus arrived at the decision to apply for this grant. Include at least one key motivation, one challenge, and one opportunity explored during discussions with stakeholders such as school board members, faculty/staff, and parents/students that is specific to your community. Highlight any data or research that influenced the decision.

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[Longview ISD.ECHS. Decision to Apply.pdf](#)

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2. ECHS campuses must enter into an articulation agreement with an Institution of Higher Education (IHE) that is accredited by a national or regional accrediting agency recognized by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in accordance with 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §74.25. Name the partnering IHE that has agreed to meet the requirements of an ECHS partnership.

Kilgore College

3. Upload the Letter of support (not MOU) from an Institution of Higher Education for the future ECHS campus in the box below. Please encourage the IHE to specifically address your future ECHS campus partnership and plans.

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[Longview ISD. ECHS. Kilgore College letter of support for Longview ECHS 11-25-25.pdf](#)

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4. Name of the associate degree which the ECHS campus intends to offer. Also, please list any additional Industry-based certifications (IBC) or Level I (or Level II) certificates that the future ECHS campus plans to offer.

Associate of Arts, Associate of Arts in Teaching or Associate of Science

5. Upload the course of study/crosswalk that the school is planning to offer. **Please refer to the [ECHS Blueprint \(2.4, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5\)](#) when answering this question.**

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[Longview ISD. ECHS. Course of Study Part 1.pdf](#)

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6. In 300 words or less, describe how the postsecondary credentials earned by students meet the local economic needs in the ECHS academic plan. **Please refer to the [ECHS Blueprint](#) (4.1, 4.2 and 4.4) when answering this question.**

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[Longview ISD. ECHS. Credentials Earned Meet Economic Needs.pdf](#)

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7. In 300 words or less, describe how the campus and district intend to work with and secure the partnership with an IHE and align the needs of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that addresses topics such as but not limited to: funding, instructional materials, transportation costs, joint professional development, and data sharing, and access to student data. **Please refer to the [ECHS Blueprint](#) (1.9, 2.3, 2.7 and 2.14) when answering this question.**

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[Longview ISD. ECHS. Secure the Partnership and Align the Needs of the MOU.pdf](#)

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8. In 300 words or less, please outline at least three key strategies for the future recruitment and enrollment process that meet the ECHS open enrollment requirements for your district and student population. **Please refer to the [ECHS Blueprint](#) (3.1, 3.3 and 3.4) when answering this question.**

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[Longview ISD. ECHS. Future Recruitment and Enrollment Process.docx.pdf](#)

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9. Provide examples of how the future campus plans to offer a system of academic supports to all students. List at least three activities and three brief descriptions that are specific to your campus and future student population. **Please refer to the [ECHS Blueprint](#) (4.7, 5.3 and 5.4) when answering this question.**

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[Longview ISD.ECHS.Academic Supports for All Students.docx \(2\).pdf](#)

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10. After completing a successful second year of serving as a LASO 4.0 ECHS campus, the campus leader and school counselor are promoted to other positions outside of your district, and the district ECHS program budget is reduced. In 300 words or less, please describe the sustainability measures implemented at your campus beforehand to address and mitigate the challenges of leadership changes, staff turnover, and potential future funding fluctuations.

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# Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH)

## Initiative Description:

The Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) program is an open-enrollment initiative that offers campuses an opportunity to plan to build a P-TECH within their school system. Designed to support underserved and at-risk students, P-TECH schools offer opportunities for students to earn a high school diploma while simultaneously earning industry certifications, and/or an associate degree on or before the sixth anniversary of a student's first day of high school. The P-TECH program requires a campus to maintain a partnership with an institution of higher education (IHE) to provide dual credit opportunities to the P-TECH academy students and with a business/industry partner to provide work-based learning experiences.

Review the Eligibility Criteria and Initiative Assurances listed below and indicate the school system's acceptance.

## Eligibility Criteria:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to serving students in Grades 9–12
  - or will begin serving students in Grade 9
  - or students in Grades 9 and 10 in the first year of implementation (2027-2028) and will progressively scale up by adding at least one grade level per year after the first year of implementation.
- All current P-TECH planning, provisional or designated campuses are not eligible to apply.
- All recipients of previous P-TECH Planning and Implementation or LASO Grants are ineligible to apply.
- Any campus that has been given CCRSM Needs Improvement status is not eligible to apply.

## Initiative Assurances:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- P-TECH campuses must establish recruitment and enrollment processes and requirements that will not exclude or discourage the enrollment of any of the subpopulations of at-risk students, including, but not limited to, students who are of limited English proficiency or who have failed a state-administered assessment.
- P-TECH campuses must provide for a TEA CTE program of study that enables a participating student in grade levels 9–12 to combine high school courses and postsecondary courses. Describe the course of study that the school is planning to offer and how it expands upon current offerings. Include how the course of study will enable a student to combine high school courses and postsecondary courses and identify crosswalks, sequences of courses, degrees/certificates/certifications earned, and work-based education that will be available to students at every grade level. Describe how the selected course of study will address regional workforce needs.
- P-TECH campuses must enter into a MOU with regional industry or business partners in Texas and must meet the following guidelines:
  - Provide 100% of participating students access to appropriate work-based education at every level.
  - Address regional workforce needs.
  - The industry/business partner will give a student who receives work-based training or education from the partner with a P-TECH first priority in interviewing for any jobs for which the student is qualified that are available upon the student's completion of the program.
  - Review the MOU at least every two years and update as necessary the name of the regional industry or business partner and describe how the proposed program will meet the requirements for the partnership with the industry/business partner.
- At TEA's request, P-TECH campuses must submit a data report of leadership team members, meeting dates, and agendas (including attendance) posted on the school's website.
- At TEA's request, P-TECH campuses must submit a data report of enrollment guidelines that follow the enrollment requirements outlined in the statutory requirements of this grant. Enrollment Guidelines should clearly document enrollment policies and practices to include admissions policies of performance-blind, open access systems that encourage and consider applications from all students, or a weighted lottery that factors 10 students who are at-risk as defined by the PEIMS (TEC §29.081) or who are part of the targeted subpopulations for P-TECH.
- At TEA's request, P-TECH campuses must submit a recruitment plan that includes marketing materials (in English/Spanish) and timelines.
- At TEA's request, P-TECH campuses must submit a data report of stakeholder input methods used to obtain input about the implementation of the program from students, parents, community, postsecondary partners, with regular activities to educate students, parents, counselors, community, district staff, and school board members.
- At TEA's request, P-TECH campuses must submit an academic year signed and dated memorandum of understanding (MOU) and course articulation agreement with one or more college partners that fulfills the statutory requirements of this grant. The agreement must address curriculum alignment, instructional material, instructional calendar, courses of study that lead to an associate degree or up to 60 hours of college credit toward a baccalaureate degree, student enrollment and attendance, grading periods and policies, administration of statewide assessments, and data-sharing policies and procedures.
- At TEA's request, P-TECH campuses must submit a plan of wrap-around strategies and services to provide academic, behavioral, and mental health supports for student success to include a plan for academic mentoring of faculty and student supports for intervention and acceleration, counseling, guidance, and student advisory services for academic, and mental health supports, and behavioral and mental health supports such as parent outreach, connections to social services when needed, and peer mentoring.
- The applicant agrees to complete and submit the required CCRSM planning application prior to the beginning of the next school year.

1. Does the school system agree to meet the Eligibility Criteria and Initiative Assurances listed above?

- Yes
- No

## Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) (cont.)

### Campus Selection for the Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) Grant

*Note: Current P-TECH planning, provisional, or designated campuses, recipients of previous P-TECH Planning and Implementation Grants or LASO P-TECH Grants, and any campus with CCRSM Needs Improvement status are not eligible to apply. School systems are **not eligible** to apply for the same content area awarded in previous grant cycles.*

1. Does your school system currently operate any Early College High School(s) (ECHS) or Pathways in Technology Early College High School(s) (P-TECH)?

- Yes
- No

2. How many **new campuses** within your school system would be considered for this grant?

*(Min: 1, Max: 3 but not to exceed the number of available campuses)*

## Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Questions for the Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) Grant

Please select the first campus to be considered for this grant:

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1. In 300 words or less, detail how your campus arrived at the decision to apply for this grant. Include at least one key motivation, one challenge, and one opportunity explored during discussions with stakeholders such as school board members, faculty/staff, and parents/students that is specific to your community. Highlight any data or research that influenced the decision.

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2. P-TECH campuses must enter into an articulation agreement with an Institution of Higher Education (IHE) that is accredited by a national or regional accrediting agency recognized by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in accordance with 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §74.25. Name the partnering IHE that has agreed to meet the requirements of an P-TECH partnership.

3. Upload the Letter of support (not MOU) from an Institution of Higher Education for the future P-TECH campus in the box below. Please encourage the IHE to specifically address your future P-TECH campus partnership and plans.

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4. Name the regional industry or business partner and describe how the proposed program will meet the requirements for the partnership with the industry/business partner in 300 words or less. **Please refer to the [P-TECH Blueprint](#) (6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4) when answering this question.**

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5. Name the program of study that the school is planning to offer.

The Programs of Study the school is planning to offer are as follows: Process Technology, Welding, Plumbing and Construction, HVAC, Automotive, and Nursing.

6. Name the industry-based certification, certificate, or associate degree that the P-TECH intends to offer.

Welding AWS D9.1 Sheet Metal Code IBC 350, Welding AWD D1.1 Structural Steel Code IBC #340, Automotive ASE Certifications, IBC 191, 121, 141, 151, 161, 171, 182,201, 131, 261, 271, 281, 301, 321, 240, 981, 1005, Plumbing NCCER Level I Plumbing IBC#730, Process Technology Certified Production Technician IBC#820, Nursing PCT, EKG, PBT IBC 786, 380 800

7. Upload the course of study/crosswalk that the school is planning to offer. **Please refer to the [P-TECH Blueprint](#) (2.4, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5) when answering this question.**

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8. In 300 words or less, describe how the postsecondary credentials earned meet the local economic needs in the P-TECH academic plan. **Please refer to the [P-TECH Blueprint](#) (4.1 and 4.2) when answering this question.**

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[Longview ISD.PTECH.Postsecondary Credentials Meet Local Economics Needs.pdf](#)

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9. In 300 words or less, describe how the campus and school system intend to work with and secure the partnership with an IHE and align the needs of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that addresses topics such as but not limited to: funding, instructional materials, transportation costs, joint professional development, data sharing, and access to student data. **Please refer to the [P-TECH Blueprint](#) (1.9, 2.3, 2.8, 2.10 and 2.14) when answering this question.**

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[Longview ISD.PTECH.Align with the MOU.pdf](#)

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10. In 300 words or less, please outline at least three key strategies for the future recruitment and enrollment process that meet the P-TECH open enrollment requirements for your school system and student population. **Please refer to the [P-TECH Blueprint](#) (3.1, 3.3 and 3.4) when**

**answering this question.**

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[Longview ISD.PTECH. Future Recruitment and Enrollment Process.pdf](#)

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11. After completing a successful second year of serving as a LASO 4.0 P-TECH campus, the campus leader and school counselor are promoted to other positions outside of your school system, and the school system P-TECH program budget is reduced. In 300 words or less, please describe the sustainability measures implemented at your campus beforehand to address and mitigate the challenges of leadership changes, staff turnover, and potential future funding fluctuations.

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12. Provide examples of how the future campus plans to offer a system of academic supports to all students. List at least three activities and three brief descriptions that are specific to your campus and future student population. **Please refer to the [P-TECH Blueprint \(4.7, 5.3 and 5.4\)](#) when answering this question.**

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## Virtual and Hybrid Program Accelerator (VHPA)

### Initiative Description:

The Virtual and Hybrid Program Accelerator (VHPA) enables school systems and open-enrollment charter schools to design and launch high-quality virtual and hybrid programs or campuses, as defined under Texas Education Code (TEC) Chapter 30B. The goal of the program is to establish schools that are intentionally structured to achieve A or B accountability ratings and deliver rigorous, engaging instruction tailored to meet the diverse needs of students across Texas. Through VHPA, participating school systems receive funding and technical assistance to develop flexible, personalized learning models that support students requiring adaptable education pathways. The program also enables school systems to implement innovative staffing strategies, expand course offerings, and increase access to high-quality instruction statewide.

Review the Eligibility Criteria, Initiative Assurances, and Initiative Requirements listed below and indicate the school system's acceptance.

### Eligibility Criteria:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Have not participated in a previous VHPA cycle.

### Initiative Assurances:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Program leads of awarded applicants have at least 16 hours of release time built into their weekly schedules to plan and create the virtual or hybrid program or campus.
- Ensure that the program or designated campus leader possesses relevant experience or can exhibit the competencies necessary to lead a virtual or hybrid program or campus effectively.
- Design and manage strategic initiatives that improve instructional quality and student engagement, and they are committed to building their capacity to support high-quality virtual and hybrid models.
- As part of the program commitment for Year 1 of VHPA, submit a comprehensive launch plan for a full-time virtual or hybrid program or apply for authorization to operate a virtual or hybrid campus to operate in 2027-2028 school year.

*Note: If the school system does not meet participation expectations or disengage from VHPA, they may have their membership from the VHPA terminated and forfeit any access to remaining funding.*

## Initiative Requirements:

As the applicant, the school system hereby agrees to:

- Establish a dedicated VHPA Team responsible for developing and implementing the full-time virtual or hybrid campus or program.
- Collaborate with a TEA-assigned technical assistance (TA) provider and participate in TA-supported activities such as cohort workshops, monthly coaching calls, step backs, planning sessions, or implementation deliverables.
- Ensure adaptability and dedication in program model design to align with research-based practices for high-quality virtual and hybrid models.
- By the end of Year 1 of VHPA support, launch a full-time virtual or hybrid program or apply for authorization to operate a full-time virtual or hybrid campus beginning the 2027-2028 school year.

*Note: For full-time virtual or hybrid campuses, Year 2 of VHPA TA support and funds are contingent upon the full-time virtual or hybrid campus receiving authorization.*

- Ensure that any partnership with a private or third-party vendor preserves the school system's ability to design, adapt, and implement the virtual or hybrid program to meet local needs.
- Disclose any vendor-imposed services, limitations that may affect program flexibility, instructional design, or operational decision-making.
- If selecting a private or third-party provider to operate the school, collaborate with the designated technical assistance partner to develop a comprehensive provider selection plan that includes:
  - Defined criteria for evaluating potential providers.
  - Detailed cost analysis and breakdown of services.
  - Consideration of the provider's historical performance (e.g., student academic outcomes).
- If selecting a private or third-party provider to operate the program or campus, formalize and monitor the partnership with a third-party provider by:
  - Submitting memoranda of understanding (MOU) or formal agreements outlining responsibilities of both the provider and the school system or charter.
  - Establishing a system for progress monitoring, including required reports on student engagement and academic progress.
  - Defining action items if the provider fails to meet success criteria for the campus or program.
- Complete all required deliverables and meeting milestones by the scheduled timeline specified by the VHPA, including:
  - Define a clear and compelling rationale for launching the virtual or hybrid program/campus, including the specific student population or campus it will serve.
  - Present evidence of community interest in a virtual or hybrid learning option, including data collected through surveys, focus groups, or other engagement methods.
  - Develop and implement comprehensive plans to achieve program objectives, including an academic plan that outlines curriculum, instructional methods, approaches for monitoring student progress, and support strategies for special populations and at-risk students.
  - Develop and iterate plans regarding staffing models, school culture, family engagement, and student support.
  - Update operations such as staffing, schedules, finances, technology, and cybersecurity to support virtual or hybrid models.
  - Provide a professional development plan for instructional staff that includes training specific to virtual and hybrid instruction, along with ongoing, job-embedded coaching to strengthen instructional quality and student engagement.
  - Present evidence of training and development for teachers and leaders to ensure high-quality virtual or hybrid instruction.
  - Use data to monitor student engagement and academic progress, ensuring alignment with grade-level standards and research-based instructional strategies specific to virtual and hybrid learning.
  - Engage in three improvement cycle sessions using data to inform ongoing development. School systems will share data that reflects program implementation and outcomes. This may include student engagement, progress toward grade-level mastery in virtual and hybrid courses (BOY, MOY, EOY), teacher instructional practices and growth in serving virtual and hybrid learners, and leader support for professional learning communities and job-embedded coaching.
  - Obtain formal approval from the school system's governing board to launch a virtual or hybrid program/campus and ensure this approval is secured prior to applying for authorization. For virtual/hybrid campuses, ensure this approval is secured prior to applying for authorization.
  - Submit a detailed plan or contract outlining the scope of services, responsibilities, and decision-making authority in any private or third-party vendor partnership supporting the virtual or hybrid program/campus (*if applicable*).
  - Submit a comprehensive launch plan and either implement a virtual or hybrid program or apply for authorization to operate a virtual or hybrid campus that is expected to begin operating in the 2027-2028 school year.

1. Does the school system agree to meet the Eligibility Criteria, Initiative Assurances, and Initiative Requirements listed above?

- Yes  
 No

## Virtual and Hybrid Program Accelerator (VHPA) (cont.)

### Initiative Specific Questions for the Virtual and Hybrid Program Accelerator (VHPA) Grant

1. Enter the contact information for the primary point of contact.

Name:	<input type="text" value="Gary Krueger"/>
Role:	<input type="text" value="Executive Director"/>
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2. What are the grade levels will the school system be serving?

- Kindergarten
- 1st Grade
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3. What type of delivery format is the school system planning on?

- Program
- Campus
- TBD

4. What type of program is the school system planning on opening?

- Virtual
- Hybrid
- TBD

5. How does the school system envision instructions to delivered in the program?

- Asynchronous only
- Synchronous only
- Both asynchronous and synchronous
- Undecided

6. Will the school system be in Year 1 of the school system wide adoption of HQIM in core subjects?

- Yes
- No

7. Current or anticipated student enrollment number in the virtual/hybrid program or campus?

8. Describe how the school system calculated the enrollment number above.

*(i.e. current number of students enrolled, number of interested students via family survey)*

Current Number of Students Enrolled

9. Which best describes where the school system is in the virtual/hybrid program?

- Are in the planning phase and currently do not have a virtual or hybrid program, but intend to launch in SY26-27.
- Have a plan and will be ready to launch a virtual/hybrid program this school year (SY26-27) with some additional support.
- Are currently running a virtual and hybrid program and would like feedback and support to build on it to launch a more robust program in SY27-28.
- Are in the planning phase and currently do not have a virtual or hybrid program but intend to apply for authorization to operate a virtual or hybrid campus in the SY27-28.
- Have a plan and will be ready to launch a virtual/hybrid program this school year (SY26-27). With some additional support, we plan to apply for authorization to operate a virtual or hybrid campus in the SY27-28.
- Are currently running a virtual and hybrid program and would like feedback and support to build on it and establish a virtual or hybrid campus in SY27-28.
- Are exploring virtual and hybrid learning options within our school system but unsure about the program type and timeline to launch.

10. Describe how your virtual or hybrid program/campus aligns with the school system's broader strategic goals or improvement plans.

The full-time Hybrid Campus directly advances the district's broader strategic goals by expanding access to high-quality personalized learning opportunities while optimizing resources and strengthening postsecondary readiness. The hybrid model provides students and families with flexible scheduling and tailored instructional pathways—whether delivered synchronously or asynchronously in person or through blended approaches—ensuring that at least 50% of enrolled students participate in a fully hybrid program designed around their individual needs. By leveraging virtual and on-campus options the Hybrid Campus enables the district to offer a wider range of courses including advanced academics dual credit accelerated pathways and targeted credit-recovery supports. This expands access—especially for students who may have previously faced barriers due to staffing limitations scheduling constraints transportation or health and caregiving challenges. The Hybrid Campus also supports districtwide efforts to optimize staffing and strategically deploy talent. Through more flexible instructional models teachers can support larger or more diverse groups of students while maintaining personalization and ensuring high-quality instruction. This strengthens continuity of services when traditional staffing gaps occur and allows the district to reimagine programming in a sustainable innovative way. In alignment with the district's mission to develop and sustain a culture of excellence the Hybrid Campus reinforces equitable access to strong educators bridges achievement and opportunity gaps and equips all students for a choice-driven future. Embedded career pathways dual credit partnerships and work-based learning opportunities connect students' personalized goals with real-world skills and postsecondary expectations. The campus model ensures that student learning is flexible rigorous and responsive—advancing district improvement priorities around academic achievement postsecondary readiness and equitable opportunity for every learner.

11. Describe what knowledge or experience the school system's leadership team brings to designing and supporting high-quality virtual or hybrid instruction.

A school system's leadership team brings a depth of experience strategic insight and operational expertise necessary to design launch and sustain a high-quality hybrid instructional model. Key areas of contribution include: Demonstrated expertise in designing and implementing rigorous standards-aligned curriculum across in-person virtual and blended settings. Experience integrating high-quality digital platforms LMS systems and instructional technology that support flexible personalized learning. Strong capacity for data-driven decision-making including analysis of academic engagement and attendance data to guide continuous improvement. - Proven leadership in recruiting developing and coaching educators to deliver effective hybrid instruction and support diverse learner needs. - Operational experience in scheduling staffing budgeting and compliance to ensure hybrid models function efficiently and meet state requirements. - Deep understanding of student support systems—SPED 504 EL counseling SEL MTSS—and how to adapt them for hybrid environments. - History of collaborating with families community partners higher education and workforce organizations to expand access to dual credit CTE pathways and work-based learning. - Commitment to equity and expanding opportunity by removing barriers related to health transportation credit recovery or scheduling constraints.

12. Describe what research, data, or stakeholder input informed the school system's decision to pursue a virtual or hybrid model.

A school system should ground the decision to launch a hybrid campus in a combination of research local data trends and stakeholder insights. Together these elements ensure the model is responsive to student needs aligned with district goals and supported by the community. The decision to pursue a hybrid campus is informed by a comprehensive review of research local data and stakeholder input demonstrating a clear need for flexible personalized learning options. Research on effective blended and virtual models shows that hybrid instruction can expand access to advanced coursework support credit recovery and improve outcomes for students requiring nontraditional schedules. District enrollment patterns chronic absenteeism trends and increases in students needing credit acceleration or alternative pathways further indicate strong demand for a more adaptable learning environment. Analysis of opportunity gaps and limited course availability across campuses highlights the potential for a hybrid model to provide equitable access to AP dual credit CTE

and specialized electives. Staffing data including shortages in critical certification areas demonstrates how hybrid delivery could optimize teacher capacity and broaden offerings. Input from students families educators and community partners consistently reflects interest in flexible scheduling expanded pathways and technology-enabled learning. Together this evidence strongly supports the development of a high-quality hybrid campus aligned to district goals for equity access and postsecondary readiness.

13. Which best describes the school system's key areas of need for the virtual/hybrid program?

*Note: Answers provided will not limit the type of support the school system will receive if accepted into the program. Instead, this information will be used to better understand the school system's key area of need.*

- Aligned, effective vision and model that is responsive to family and student needs.
- Family engagement, communication, and/or recruitment plan.
- Staffing and/or teacher/staff recruitment plan.
- Plan for communicating clear administrator, teacher, student, and family roles within a virtual/hybrid model. *(and wherever needed, support for shifting mindsets)*
- Instructional framework for designing high-quality virtual and hybrid courses aligned to research-based practices.
- Student attendance and engagement plan.
- School Culture and student well-being plan.
- Plan for supporting special populations and at-risk students.
- Student onboarding sessions, including learning strategies and support for cultivating mindsets rooted in the science of learning, self-directed learning skills, how to use digital tools, and help-seeking during asynchronous and/or synchronous instruction.
- Teacher development *(PD and ongoing job-embedded coaching)* to deliver high-quality instruction and learning experiences in a virtual/hybrid model.
- High-Quality Instructional Materials. *(for core curriculum and adjusted for virtual/hybrid learning)*
- Data collection and progress monitoring systems.
- Technology Strategy and Data Privacy Framework. *(including hardware, connectivity, digital tools, and cybersecurity policies)*
- Master schedule that is appropriately set up for virtual or hybrid learning.

14. Describe which additional topics, areas of support, or identified gaps would be most helpful to strengthen the school system's virtual or hybrid model.

- Being able to educate diverse student populations including students at Risk of Drop Out Students with Disabilities  
- Building strong instructional and data systems - Improving engagement and SEL supports - Enhancing technology and operational consistency - Strengthening communication and culture - Ensuring compliance and staff training for hybrid expectations

15. Describe which curriculum the school system is currently using, or planning to use for virtual learning for core courses.

The Texas Virtual School Network statewide catalog of supplemental high school courses will be used at the Hybrid Campus. This will allow for students to have opportunities to enroll in high school Advanced Placement and dual-credit courses offered through the network of approved providers. All courses offered through the TXVSN must meet the state curriculum requirements known as the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills or TEKS by their breakouts; the Texas Content Quality Measures; the NSQ National Standards of Quality for Online Courses (outside source) and accessibility requirements listed in Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. TXVSN courses are taught by teachers who are Texas-certified in the content area and grade level of the course or meet the credentialing requirements of the associated institution of higher education.

16. Which content is the school system considering when adopting new instructional materials or curriculum for virtual learning? (choose all that apply)

*Note: Curriculum adoption is not a requirement of the program, but rather an optional support; the response to this question will help us better understand the school system's needs.*

ELAR

What are the grade levels the school system will be serving?

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Math

What are the grade levels the school system will be serving?

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Science

What are the grade levels the school system will be serving?

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Social Studies

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#### School System's Commitments to VHPA

As part of the VHPA, school systems will form a VHPA Team that regularly partners with VHPA technical assistance providers and meets as a central team to develop and improve the virtual/hybrid program using VHPA support.

To the best of your current understanding, provide the contact information of individuals who most likely will be on the school system's VHPA Team.

#### [VHPA Team Roles and Responsibilities](#)

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17. Enter contact information for the school system's Senior Project Sponsor for the virtual or hybrid program.

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Title:	<input type="text" value="Executive Director"/>
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18. Enter contact information for the school system's Project Lead for the virtual or hybrid program.

Name:	<input type="text" value="Kimberly Dolese"/>
Title:	<input type="text" value="Principal"/>
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19. Is the school system partnering with a third-party vendor or partner to run the virtual or hybrid program?

- Yes
  - No
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## Closing

### Signature

Official submission of this application requires the Superintendent's signature. The Application cannot be considered submitted without the formal signature from the Superintendent.

If the Superintendent is unable to sign because they are on leave or in role transition, please email at [LASO@tea.texas.gov](mailto:LASO@tea.texas.gov).

If you are the Superintendent, click **Yes** and proceed to submitting the application.

If you are not the Superintendent, pause on submitting this application and email [LASO@tea.texas.gov](mailto:LASO@tea.texas.gov) to identify the school system's grantee official who can submit the application in the Superintendent's absence. Once the name of the grantee official has been identified, return back to this page, select **No**, then proceed to submitting the application.

Are you the Superintendent?

- Yes  
 No

Please provide the following:

Superintendent Name :	<input type="text" value="Dr Marla Sheppard"/>
Superintendent Email:	<input type="text" value="msheppard@lisd.org"/>

## Review & Sign

**The LASO Cycle 4 Grant has closed.**

**The closing date was December 3, 2025 at 05:00 PM.  
This application can no longer be submitted.**

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## Review & Sign

Before you sign and submit, click the **Review** button to review the completed application, revise as needed, and then sign to submit your final application.

You may only review one time. If you need to review the application again or make any additional revisions, please complete the Request for a Retake link- located on our LASO 4 webpage.

- Review  
 Sign and Submit

## Signature

### Confirmation of Application

I have reviewed and acknowledge that the LASO 4 application I am submitting today is for the following Initiatives:

- Leadership & Instructional Foundations for Texas (LIFT)
- Additional Days School Year Planning & Execution Program (ADSY PEP)
- School Action Fund (SAF)
- Early College High School (ECHS)
- Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH)
- Virtual and Hybrid Program Accelerator (VHPA)

*Note: Only last submitted application will be accepted as the Final LASO 4 application.*

Signed On: December 3, 2025 at 04:26 PM

*Dr. Marka Sheppard*

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