LASO Cycle 5 (2026-2027)

Application Open Now Through December 1st

LASO 2026-2027 (Cycle 5)

Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities (LASO) is a **single, consolidated application that combines grants, in-kind supports and services, and allotment opportunities,** bundled around a few key initiatives to accelerate academic gains.

~$400M

In supports and services

21

TEA initiatives to support school systems in achieving student outcomes

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Application to access direct grants, in-kind supports, and state allotments

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Strategic Planning

LAS

Local Accountability System Planning Grant

Enables school systems to create locally defined accountability measures aligned to community priorities. Funding and technical assistance support stakeholder engagement, plan development, and broader measures of local success.

Est. Number of Awards	15–25
Est. Range of Awards	$135K–$226K Direct Funds

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Curriculum & Instruction – LIFT and LIFT-aligned Supports

LIFT

Leadership & Instructional Foundations for Texas

Enables school systems to implement Bluebonnet Learning and strengthen instructional systems through consistent campus and district systems. Support strengthens instructional leadership through PLCs, classroom observation, and performance management routines.

Est. Number of Awards	15–63
Est. Total Award Range	$875K–$3.5M

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LIFT SI A

LIFT School Improvement Accelerator

Supports school systems in LIFT in providing more intensive implementation assistance to specific campuses needing to accelerate progress. Includes more frequent PLC facilitation, additional observation and feedback supports.

Est. Number of Awards	200–350
Est. Total Award Range	$60K–$90K

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SI CISG

School Improvement C&I Support Grant

Supports school systems in strengthening curriculum and instruction at campuses using high-quality instructional materials that are not Bluebonnet Learning. Funding advances coherent implementation and campus-level instructional improvement.

Est. Number of Awards	30–45
Est. Total Award Range	$200K

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Curriculum & Instruction

BLG

Blended Learning Grant

Begins with an audit of district tech usage and spending and continues with supports to integrate tier 1 materials with digital supplements in math and reading. Program pathways also support coherent systems or staffing and scheduling redesign.

Est. Number of Awards	15–20
Est. Total Award Range	$266K–$693K

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ELIT

Early Literacy Intervention Tool

Supports school systems with TEKS-aligned online supplemental early literacy curriculum and implementation assistance. Progress monitoring enables educators to address learning gaps and adjust support.

Est. Number of Awards	480K licenses
Est. Total Award Range	2.4M licenses over 5 years

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MSC for SI

Math Supplemental Curriculum for School Improvement

Supports school systems with TEKS-aligned online math licenses and implementation assistance. Progress monitoring enables educators to address learning gaps and adjust support.

Est. Number of Awards	250K licenses
Est. Total Award Range	1.2M licenses over 5 years

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AP CSP

AP Computer Science Principles

Supports school systems in launching, expanding, and sustaining AP Computer Science Principles through a structured two-year plan. Expands access to college-ready computer science and advances college and career readiness.

Est. Number of Awards	40–50
Est. Total Award Range	$10K–$50K

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Strategic Talent Systems – Educator Preparation

PREP GYO

PREP Grow Your Own

Supports school systems in developing future teachers from local staff and aspiring educators by reducing degree and certification barriers. The model creates a local pathway for participants to complete degrees, certification, and enrolling in EPP.

$8-$12K per teacher/yr max 40

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PREP Residency

PREP Residency Preservice Program

Supports school systems in providing paid, year-long residencies with approved educator preparation partners. Residents support classroom instruction while school systems build sustainable teacher pipelines.

$24-$39.5K per teacher/yr max 40

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PREP Traditional

PREP Traditional Preservice Program

Supports school systems in building certified-teacher pipelines through high-quality preparation partnerships. Candidates develop classroom readiness through a semester-long clinical placement.

$10-$21.5K per teacher/yr max 80 w/ Alt

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PREP Alternative

PREP Alternative Preservice Program

Enables school systems to prepare local degree holders for certification through flexible alternative pathways. Preparation partnerships target staffing needs in high-need communities and teaching areas.

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PREP Mentorship

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Supports school systems in strengthening comprehensive mentoring for novice teachers. Builds mentor teacher capacity and supports district and campus leaders in implementing quality mentorship program

$3K per teacher/yr max 40

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NOTE: The PREP Allotment is entitled for all LEAs meeting the requirements of the allotment. It is not a grant.

Strategic Talent Systems -Strategic Staffing and Compensation

TSS

Texas Strategic Staffing

Supports school systems with technical assistance to design sustainable, year-long teacher residencies. Staffing, schedules, and instructional roles may be redesigned to meet immediate needs within existing budgets.

Est. Number of Awards	40–50	*Est. Total Award Range*	$58.4K

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SCC for ETIA

Strategic Compensation Cohort for Enhanced TIA

A launch grant to support access to the Enhanced TIA designation, this grant supports school systems in developing performance-based (i.e. non-tenure based) compensation systems for teachers and school leaders.

Est. Number of Awards	20–30	*Est. Total Award Range*	$140K–$165K

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More Time

ADSY PEP

Additional Days School Year PEP Grant - Summer

A launch grant to support access to ADSY funding, this grant enables school systems to design summer-learning models that add instructional time. Expert support aligns programming with instructional materials and sustainability through ADSY formula funding.

Est. Number of Awards	30–32	*Est. Total Award Range*	$140K–$600K

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ADSY PEP

Additional Days School Year PEP Grant – Full Year Redesign

A launch grant to support access to ADSY funding, this grant enables school systems to design a full-year, redesigned school model that adds instructional time. Expert support aligns programming with instructional materials and sustainability through ADSY formula funding.

Est. Number of Awards	3-5	*Est. Total Award Range*	$140K–$600K

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Innovative Models

SAF

School Action Fund

Supports school systems in transforming chronically underperforming campuses and expanding high-quality options. Available strategies include campus restarts, new schools, or closure and reassignment to stronger campus options.

Est. Number of Awards	Est. Total Award Range
20–30	$550K–$1.35M

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R-PEP

Rural Pathway Excellence Partnership Grant

A launch grant to support access to the RPEP allotment, this grant supports rural school systems in launching or expanding shared college and career pathways. Assistance builds the capacity and structures needed for R-PEP designation or expansion.

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ECHS

Early College High School

Enables school systems to expand dual-credit and accelerated postsecondary pathways, particularly for underserved students. Students can earn substantial college credit or an associate degree while reducing cost and time to completion.

Est. Number of Awards	Est. Total Award Range
10–12	$50K–$75K

HELPFUL LINKS

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P-TECH

Pathways in Technology Early College High School Grant Program

A launch grant to support access to PTECH funding, this grant supports school systems in connecting schools, colleges, and employers around career-focused pathways. Students gain dual credit, industry credentials, and work-based learning aligned with regional workforce needs.

Est. Number of Awards	Est. Total Award Range
15–20	$40K–$50K

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VHPA

Virtual Hybrid Program Accelerator

Enables school systems to design and operate high-quality full-time virtual and hybrid programs and campuses. Provides funding, technical assistance, and structured support to expand access to high-quality instruction through sustainable models that offer flexible pacing and scheduling to meet varied learner needs.

Est. Number of Awards	Est. Total Award Range
14–20	$300K–$380K

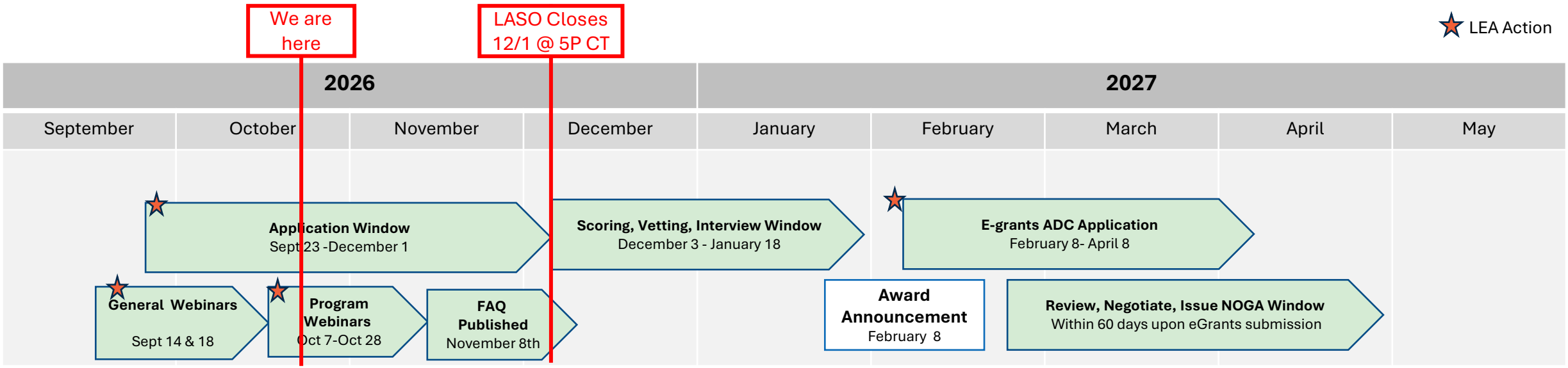
HELPFUL LINKS

WEBINARS
2 upcoming sessions
- Option #1 · 10/23 · 1:30 PM
- Option #2 · 10/27 · 10:30 AM
- Recording coming 10/28

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LASO Cycle 5 (2026-2027) Closes December 1 at 5pm CT



Key Dates

- **Application Window** | September 23, 2026 to December 1, 2026 (closes at 5:00 pm CT)
- **General Webinars** | September 14, 2026 and September 18, 2026 (Recording available on LASO website)
- **LASO Application Office Hours |** Recurring Mondays, September 28-November at 10:00 AM CT
- **Program Specific Webinars** | October 7, 2026 to October 28, 2026 (Recording available on LASO website)
- **Estimated Award Announcement** | February 2027
- **Estimated NOGA Release** | March 2027 to May 2027

Apply using the application link emailed to Superintendents on Sep. 23rd. If you need a new link, email LASO@tea.texas.gov.