

# Federal Program Compliance Division Program Monitoring Validations

## **ESSA Private Nonprofit Schools (PNP) Equitable Services**

LEA Documented PNP Equitable Services Amounts September 2025

## **Legal Disclaimer**

- 1. This presentation is intended solely to provide general information and guidance to Texas LEAs, ESCs, non-profit subgrantees, and participating Private Schools receiving equitable services. The content in this presentation reflects the Texas Education Agency's current understanding of statute and applicable federal guidance.
- 2. The content of this presentation is subject to change as a result of future guidance and or other updates provided by federal agencies with regulatory oversight of these programs.
- 3. This presentation does not constitute legal advice, and entities are, therefore, advised to seek legal counsel regarding the information and guidance provided in this presentation before acting upon the information provided.



9/15/2025

## **Artificial Intelligence (AI) Disclaimer**

Recording/Use of Artificial Intelligence: The Texas Education Agency (TEA) does not permit third-party recording or the use of artificial intelligence (AI) summary services during its grants-related trainings. Attendees of TEA's grants-related trainings may not use AI services, language models, applications, interfaces, or assistants to attend, review, or record the trainings. TEA further prohibits any person or entity from using the information included in its grants-related trainings to train AI technologies. Any attendees of TEA's grant-related trainings who violate this prohibition may be removed from the trainings and may be barred from attending future grants-related trainings.



9/15/2025



## **Documentation Requested**



Documenting overall compliance for a program requirement may require several forms of documentation to be maintained locally and available upon request by TEA and/or an auditor.

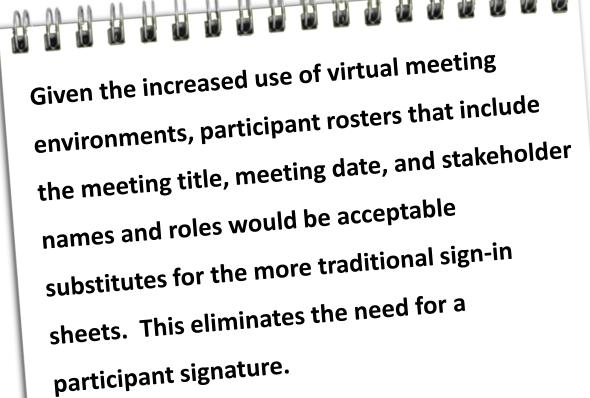
To ensure overall compliance with program requirements, LEAs should refer to the Program Guide and/or other program-related resources that reference the multiple forms of documentation required to be maintained locally.

The documentation requested for submission during the validation process may not include all forms of documentation that are required to be maintained locally.



## **Meeting Documentation**







# ESSA Statutory Requirement – Title I, Part A, PNP Equitable Services Amounts

#### Title I, Part A, Program

Section 1117(a)(4)(A)

- 4. Expenditures.—
- (A) Determination.
  - i. In General.—Expenditures for educational services and other benefits to eligible private school children shall be equal to the proportion of funds allocated to participating school attendance areas based on the number of children from low-income families who attend private schools.
  - ii. Proportional Share.—The proportional share of funds shall be determined based on the total amount of funds received by the local educational agency under this part prior to any allowable expenditures or transfers by the local educational agency.



# ESSA Statutory Requirement – Title VIII PNP Equitable Services Amounts

### **Title VIII Programs**

Section 8501(a)(4)(A-B)

4. Expenditures.

In General.—

A. Expenditures for educational services and other benefits provided under this section for eligible private school children, their teachers, and other educational personnel serving those children shall be equal, taking into account the number and educational needs of the children to be served, to the expenditures for participating public school children.

B. Obligation of Funds.—Funds allocated to a local educational agency for educational services and other benefits to eligible private school children shall be obligated in the fiscal year for which the funds are received by the agency.

Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.), Title 34, Subtitle B, Chapter II, Subpart E, Section 299.7(a)



## ESSA Consolidated Application – LEAs PNP Title I, Part A, Equitable Services Amounts Program-Specific Provisions and Assurances

### **Assurances Relating to Title I, Part A, Program**

- The size and scope of the equitable services to be provided to the eligible private school children, the proportion of funds that is allocated for such services, and how that proportion of funds is determined.
- The LEA assures it will keep documentation of program descriptions, allowable activities, and expenditures locally and make available upon TEA request for all applicable private non-profit requirements in Sections 1117 and 8501. TEA may request a description of services and use-of-funds documentation later through compliance reports or other TEA reports.



## ESSA Consolidated Application – LEAs PNP Title VIII Equitable Services Amounts Program-Specific Provisions and Assurances

### **Assurances Relating to Title VIII Programs**

The LEA will comply with the uniform provisions for providing services to private schools as specified in Title VIII, Part F, Subpart 1, Private Schools, Sections 8501-8504.



# LEA Compliance Report: PNP Compliance Self-Check – PNP Equitable Services Amounts

The LEA documented the PNP equitable services amounts used and provided a detailed explanation of the amounts provided to PNP officials for all applicable participating programs.



# Documentation Required— LEAs PNP Equitable Services Amounts

### **Documentation Required**

### <u>1.1</u>

Written Explanation of PNP equitable services amounts

#### **Acceptable Documentation**

Documentation from the 2024-2025 school year demonstrating that the LEA informed PNP officials during consultation(s) of participating PNP school campus and how it was used

 (i.e., agenda, meeting minutes, thirdparty/Shared Services Agreement, calculated campus spreadsheet indicating equitable services amount, LEA calculations by PNP campus and program level, calculation formulas per PNP campus, etc.)



## **TEA** PNP Equitable Services Amounts

## **Documentation Required –**

Written documentation of LEA equitable services amounts



## Issues that may result in an "Improvement Needed" status

- Auditable documentation from the applicable school year requested was not submitted
- Documentation submitted did not specify the school year of equitable services amounts for participating program(s)
- Documentation submitted did not specify the requested PNP validation requirements





## **Resources and Support**



# **2025-2026 Program Monitoring Validations Process Online Resources**



#### Overall Process Resources

- 2025-2026 PMV Process Handbook
- Instructions for Submitting Documentation, Training Video, and Training Slides
- Navigating the Smartsheet WorkApp System Video

### Program-Specific Resources

- Guidance Documents for each Program/Requirement
- Training Videos and Training Slides for each Program/Requirement

**ESSA Program Monitoring Validations Webpage** 

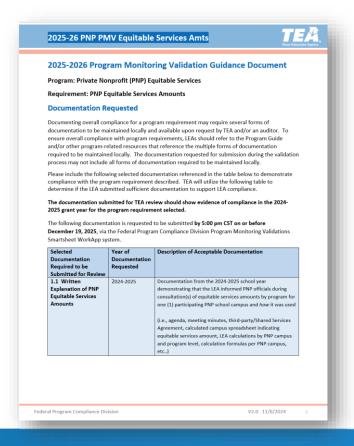


## Federal Program Compliance Division Program Monitoring Validations – Equitable Services Amounts

## **ESSA Program Monitoring Validations Webpage**



#### **Guidance Document**



### **Training Slides**





# Federal Program Compliance Division Program Monitoring Validations – Equitable Services Amounts

(continued)



- Education Service Center (ESC) Support
  - Complimentary technical assistance and training are available from each regional ESC



# **Education Service Center ESSA Basic Services Initiative**

## LEA Private Nonprofit (PNP) Equitable Services Training, Technical Assistance and Guidance

- LEA PNP Equitable Services Requirements for Title I,
   Part A, and Title VIII Programs
- LEA ESSA Consolidated Grant Application, PS3099
   Schedule
- LEA ESSA Consolidated Compliance Report, PR3099
   Schedule
- LEA PNP Equitable Services Program Monitoring Validations





## **THANK YOU**



For all you do for the students and families you serve everyday!

You make a difference!



## Federal Program Compliance Division Contact Information



#### **LaNetra Guess**

Program Director - Title IV, Part A

PNP Ombudsman

LaNetra.Guess@tea.texas.gov



**Direct Line** 

(512) 463-6939



**Division Email Address** 

ESSASupport@tea.texas.gov