

Office of School Finance

Tuition Allotment (Grades K-12)

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Legal References

Texas Education Code (TEC), §48.154 and §25.039

19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §61.1012, Contracts and Tuition for Education Outside District

Background Information

Under the TEC, §25.039(a), a school district (home district) that does not offer instruction in each grade level from kindergarten through grade 12 may contract with a district (receiving district) that does offer instruction in those grade levels. Home districts may send students residing in the district for instruction at a receiving district. The home district is entitled to receive an allotment for the tuition amount paid to the receiving district not to exceed the amount specified by Commissioner Rule under the TEC, §25.039(b). The Tuition Allotment is a part of a district's total cost of Tier One.

Program Description

The tuition reimbursement amount for a district is limited to a per student amount calculated for each district by the Division of State Funding, Forecasting, and Fiscal Analysis at Texas Education Agency (TEA) based on the requirements contained in 19 TAC §61.1012. The *Tuition Limit Report* is found under the Report drop down menu in the **School District State Aid Reports** section of the Foundation School Program (FSP) system. The tuition amount is assigned annually in - August based on the number of participating students.

Home districts submit via email required documentation to the State Funding team at the TEA. The documents submitted consist of the following: 1) paid invoices stating the number of participating students; 2) most current board-approved contract; and 3) proof of payment made to the receiving district.

Districts that have previously contracted under the TEC, \$25.039 will be paid based on prior year estimates during the school year until the documentation for the current year is submitted, reviewed, and incorporated into the districts' *Summary of Finances* reports at near-final settle up.

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