

2024 List of Approved Trainings for Operation and Instructional Time Waivers for School Safety Training

As mandated by <u>Texas Education Code Section 25.0815</u>, Operation and Instructional Time Waivers for School Safety Training, the Texas School Safety Center (TxSSC) has developed a list of approved school safety training courses.

The commissioner shall provide a waiver allowing for fewer minutes of operation and instructional time than required under <u>Section 25.081(a)</u> for a school district that requires each educator employed by the district to attend an approved school safety training course.

A waiver under Texas Education Code 25.0815(b):

(1) must allow sufficient time for the school district's educators to attend the school safety training course; and (2) may not: (a) result in an inadequate number of minutes of instructional time for students; or (b) reduce the number of minutes of operation and instructional time by more than 420 minutes.

Texas School Safety Center Approved Trainings for 2024

The TxSSC approved trainings include FEMA courses from the Emergency Management Institute (EMI) which offer free, online, self-paced courses for school staff. These courses are open to all staff members of a district and districts may choose an individual course, or group of courses, for staff to take based on the number of minutes needed. To take a course, district staff will need to individually register for a FEMA Student Identification number (SID). Since Texas Education Code 25.0815(a) states: "for a school district that requires each educator employed by the district to attend an approved school safety training course," the following list allows for flexibility for all employees of a district to take training. A district is also allowed to provide its own training on their local district safety and security procedures if it is provided to all staff in the district.

Course Code	Course Title	Hours/Minutes
IS-100.c	Introduction to the Incident Command System	2/120
IS-200.c	Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response	4/240
IS-360	Preparing for Mass Casualty Incidents: A Guide for Schools, Higher Education, and Houses of Worship	3/180
IS-362.a	Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning for Schools	3/180
IS-366.a	Planning for the Needs of Children in Disasters	6/360
IS-368	Including People With Disabilities and Others With Access and	2/120
	Functional Needs in Disaster Operations	
IS-700.b	An Introduction to the National Incident Management System	4/240
IS-906	Workplace Security Awareness	1/60
IS-907	Active Shooter: What You Can Do	1/60
N/A	A district's own Safety and Security Procedures training that is provided for all staff. The district must keep documentation and records of all staff taking this training including date and hours/minutes of the training. The agenda should be transparent on what is being trained on and how long each agenda item took to cover the material.	Up to 7/420

Districts with questions regarding these, or other, courses regarding an Operation and Instructional Time Waiver may contact the Texas School Safety Center at 512-245-1938.