



Missed School Day Waivers

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For [school closure](#) based on COVID-19 related concerns the LEA must seek additional minute waivers from the agency in order to meet the 75,600 operational minute requirement.

Those waivers would be granted as long as the LEA commits to supporting students instructionally while at home. An [attestation](#) regarding instructional support will be required to be submitted with a Missed School Day waiver using the TEAL Waivers application. Please note that if a Missed School Day attestation was submitted by email, it will still need to be included as part of the Missed School Day waiver application in TEAL.

Things to Consider

- LEAs must apply for a Missed School Day waiver for each day they were closed for COVID-19. This includes “Closed, Instructing,” “Closed, Preparing,” and “Closed, Temporary.”
- LEAs have until June 18, 2020 to submit Missed School Day waiver applications in TEAL.
- Missed School Day waivers require board approval.
- Missed School Day waivers cannot be submitted proactively* (future dates cannot be accommodated by the TEAL Waivers application).

For each day a Missed School Day waiver is granted, an LEA should leave these days as designated instructional days in their attendance accounting software. These days should be counted in terms of total minutes of operation the same as they would have been if the LEA had been able to operate normally. See [School Finance FAQ](#) for information on aligning your calendar with your approved missed school waiver days.

*As the waiver system cannot accommodate submitting a missed school day waiver for days not yet missed, it cannot accurately collect information for dates in the future that are necessary to reconcile PEIMS reporting. LEAs are encouraged to submit one waiver, subject to the information above, inclusive of all days missed after the LEA opens again or after further guidance is provided by the agency with respect to the length of the current academic year.

If you have questions regarding this guidance, please contact the State Waivers division at waivers@tea.texas.gov or 512-463-9630.