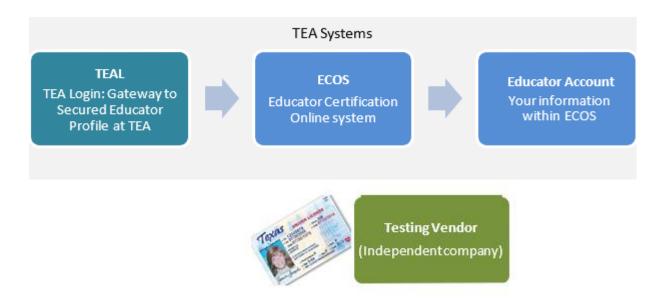
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IMPORTANT!!! Your name is used to connect all your records and is transmitted to the testing vendor. If your first and last names do not match <u>EXACTLY</u> on your Texas Driver's License/State ID card and on your Educator Certification profile, you will not be able to log in to your Educator Account or register for tests with the testing vendor. If your name has changed or differs between these sources, <u>STOP</u>, and follow the <u>Name Change instructions</u> on our website.

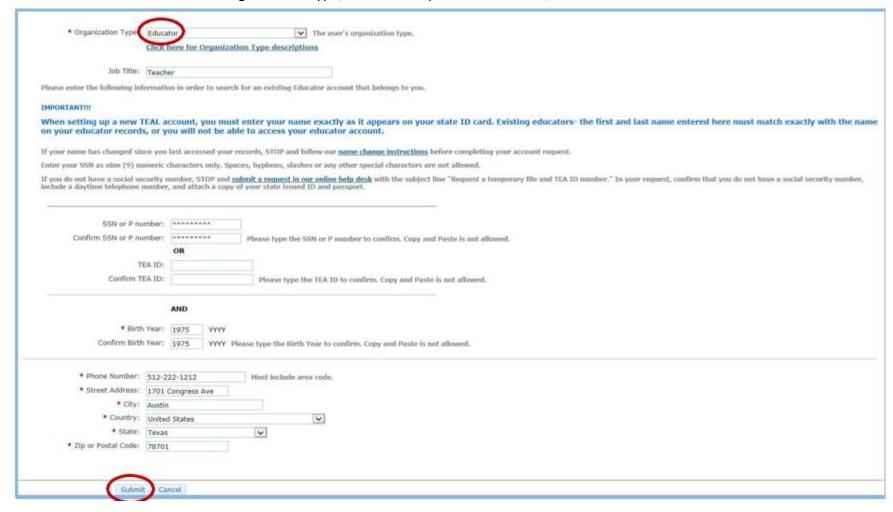
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Also, capitalize the first letter of your first and last name and make the rest lower case. For example: Jane Doe; Not JANE DOE or jane doe.

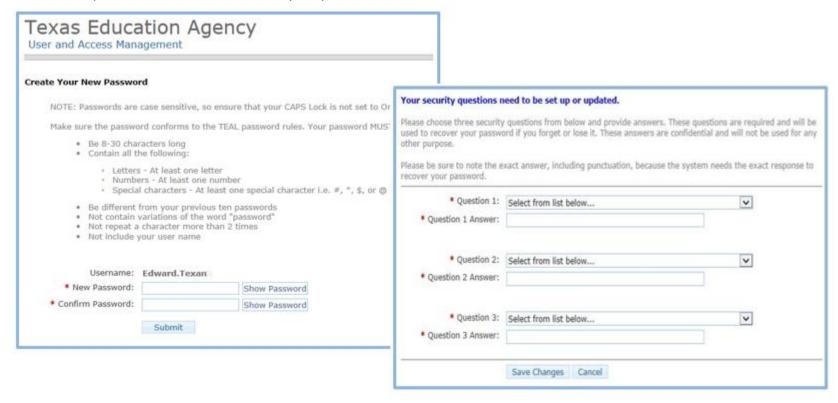
First Name:	Edward	Last Login Date:	
Middle Name:			
Last Name:	Texas		
Suffix:	Generational, Academic, Professional (Jr, PhD, CPA)		
* Email Address:	edtexan@gmail.com	All notifications will be sent to this address.	
* Verify Email:	edtexan@gmail.com		
* Birth Month:	01 The month of birth (1-12)		
* Birth Day:	01 The day of the month of birth (1-31)		
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4. Select "Educator" for the Organization Type, enter the required information, and click Submit.



Click Submit.

6. You will be prompted immediately to create a password. Your password must meet the TEAL security requirements listed on that page. Then, you will be prompted to set up answers to three security questions. The answers to your security questions will be used to reset your password.



7. After completing the security questions, you will see the Self-Service menu on the left and the <u>View My Educator</u> <u>Certification Account</u> link with your TEA ID number. Click on the link.

If you <u>do not</u> see the <u>View My Educator Certification Account</u> link, complete the steps in the **Special Instructions** section.

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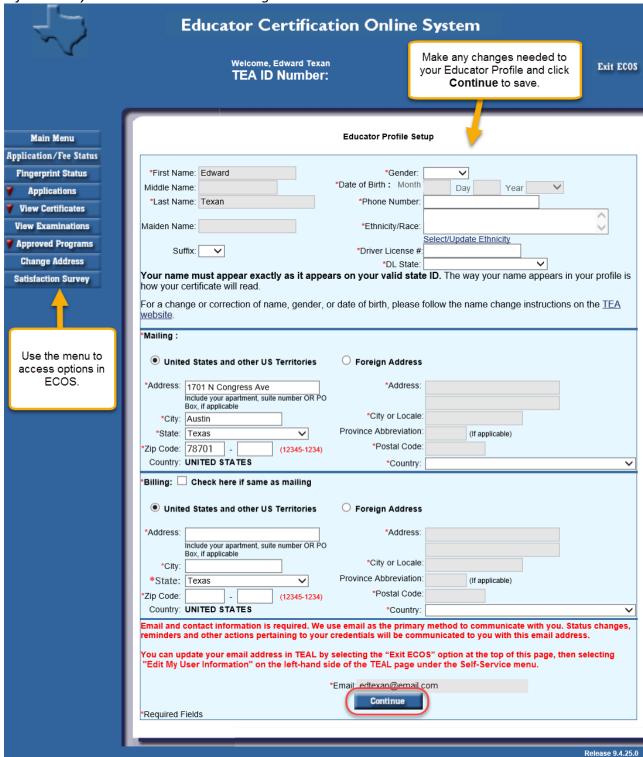
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TEA ID: 1234567

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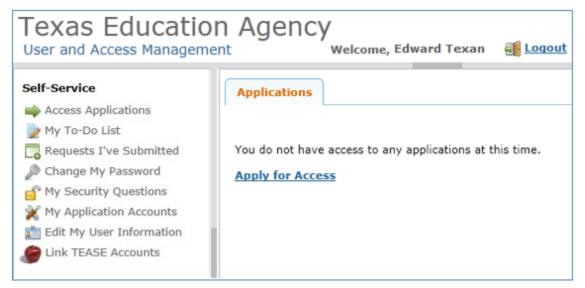
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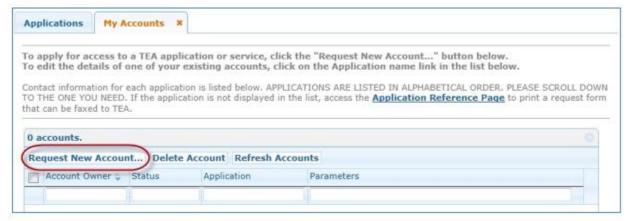
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Complete these steps only if you see the Apply for Access link instead of the View My Educator Certification Account link after logging on to TEAL.

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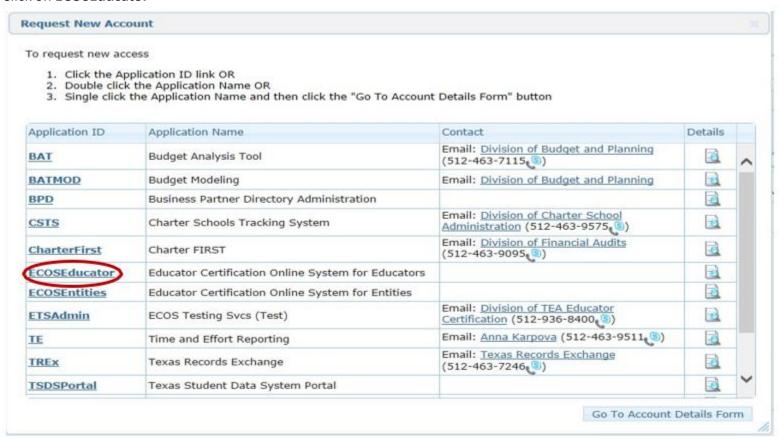


2. Then click **Request New Account**.



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3. Click on ECOSEducator



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4. Enter the required information (so that TEAL can verify your Educator Certification in ECOS), and click Create.

Please enter the following information in order to search for an existing Educator account that belongs to you.			
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	ccount, you must enter your name exactly as it appears on your state ID card. Existing educators- I here must match exactly with the name on your educator records, or you will not be able to		
If your name has changed since you	last accessed your records, STOP and follow our <u>name change instructions</u> before completing your account request.		
Enter your SSN as nine (9) numeric o	characters only. Spaces, hyphens, slashes or any other special characters are not allowed.		
	number, STOP and <u>submit a request in our online help desk</u> with the subject line "Request a temporary file and TEA ID nat you do not have a social security number, include a daytime telephone number, and attach a copy of your state		
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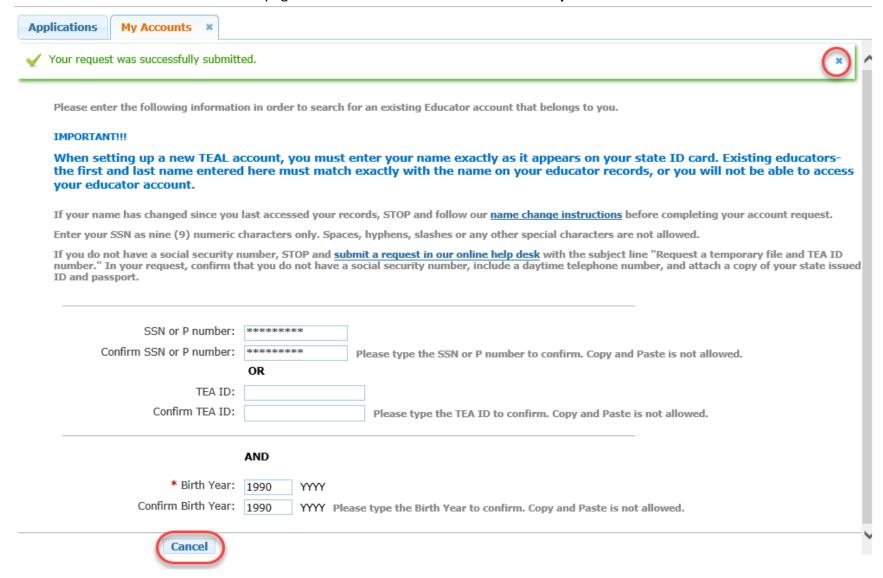
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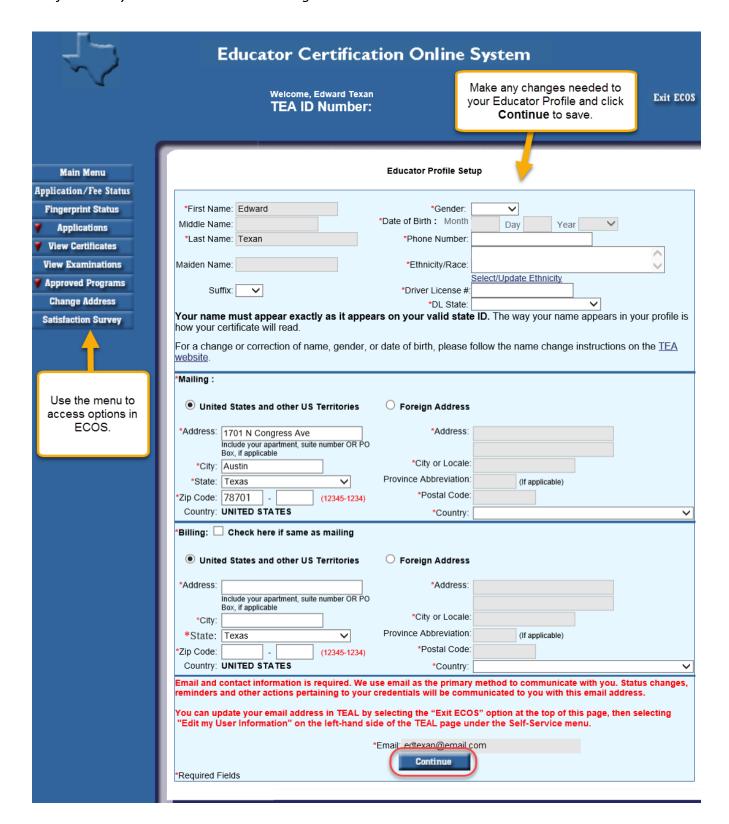
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