Summary Debrief of TEA COVID-19 Superintendents Calls
As of: July 9

Next steps for districts and charters:
1. Bookmark TEA’s coronavirus website tea.texas.gov/coronavirus for the most up-to-date guidance
2. Please continue to submit questions to disasterinfo@tea.texas.gov

Reminders:
- Governor Abbott’s closure order was extended to the end of the 2019-20 school year. Please do not send updates on districts closings to disasterinfo@tea.texas.gov.
- The TEA COVID-19 Superintendent Call have moved to Tuesday and Thursday at 3:00pm. The call-in information has changed. Please use the call-in information sent via TEA’s Superintendent Listserv on June 25, 2020.

Recap of topics covered:
- School Year 20-21 Public Health Guidance
  - A new guidance document was posted related to ensuring schools are safe for students and staff in the upcoming school year.
- Remote Instruction Guidance for SY 2020-2021
  - The SY 20-21 Attendance and Enrollment FAQ was updated on July 9. In addition, several supporting documents were posted to support the guidance:
    - SY 20-21 Career and Technical Education (CTE) On-Campus Course Recommendations
    - SY 20-21 Courses with On-Campus Needs or Supply Needs for Remote Learning
    - A very helpful side-by-side chart comparing the different remote attendance methods
  - A new website was introduced to house all of the documents related to Remote Instruction Requirements.
  - With regards to Asynchronous materials, the following documents were posted to support districts with planning:
    - 20-21 Asynchronous Plan Summary
    - Asynchronous Plan Rubric
    - Asynchronous Plan Look Fors
    - Asynchronous Letter of Intent
  - With regarding to Synchronous materials, the following documents were posted to support districts with planning:
    - SY 20-21 Synchronous Attestation Summary
• **Synchronous Attestation Online Application**

• **School Calendar Considerations**
  o An update to the [Additional Days School Year FAQ](#) was posted on Thursday

• **Summary of Waivers**
  o The [COVID-19 Related Waivers](#) document was posted to announce a deadline extension until September 30 for school systems to submit the [Texas Virtual School Network](#) waiver

• **School Funding**
  o Several new FAQs were posted to support district planning:
    ▪ An updated [CARES Act Equitable Services Provision FAQ](#)
    ▪ An updated [General State Funding FAQ](#)

• **SY 20-21 Instructional Planning**
  o In addition to the [Guidebook for Back To School Planning](#) that was posted, new support opportunities were announced for school systems via To The Administrator Addressed letters:
    ▪ [Free Trainings for Texas Principals](#) in Remote Instructional Delivery
    ▪ Additional information related to the [Optional Beginning of Year Assessments](#), including a webinar the Assessment team will host for interested districts.

• **Child Nutrition**
  o The Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) online application is now open and will remain open until Friday, July 31.
  o Additional [communications resources](#) were posted in English and Spanish to support districts with encouraging their families to apply.