

### Summary Debrief of TEA COVID-19 Superintendent Call – June 3, 2021

Posted this week on [tea.texas.gov/coronavirus](https://tea.texas.gov/coronavirus):

- NEW: [Public Health Guidance](#)
- NEW: [ESSER II Allocation Amounts by LEA](#)
- NEW: [Electronic Grant Application](#) (the application will be live on Friday, June 4)
  - Search for “2020-2022 CRRSA ESSER II Federal Grant Application” to locate the ESSER II application,
  - You will actually submit the application through the agency’s online eGrants system.
  - For questions related to this application, please email [GrantSupport@tea.texas.gov](mailto:GrantSupport@tea.texas.gov)
- NEW: To The Administrator Addressed: [Release of ESSER II Formula Funds to Texas LEAs](#)
- NEW: [House Bill 999 Individual Graduation Committees FAQ](#)
- NEW: To the Administrator Addressed: [Individual Graduation Committees for Seniors in SY 2020-2021](#)
- UPDATED: [ESSER I/II/III FAQ](#)
  - We will have one FAQ for ESSER I, II, and III
  - This is updated in real time so check back often. Please fill out the question submission form for any additional questions you might have.
- UPDATED: [Attendance and Enrollment FAQ](#)

### Announcements:

- **High Impact Tutoring:** [Webinar #3 on June 17<sup>th</sup>](#)
  - The third and final webinar will be held Thursday, June 17 at 10 a.m. This webinar will focus on program implementation and will feature Spring ISD.
  - The materials and recordings of the first two webinars and the registration link for the final webinar are now posted on the [Strong Start](#) page
- **High Impact Tutoring Toolkit Available**
  - The toolkit is designed to help LEAs think through the key pieces of a high-impact tutoring program. It includes helpful resources and examples, including sample lessons & activities, tutor job descriptions, tutor training topics, and a program cost calculator
  - The [toolkit](#) is posted on the Strong Start page and will be added to over the next several months

- **High Impact Tutoring Implementation Workshop Series**
  - The workshop series is a month-long, intensive series of 4-8 workshops and 1-on-1 coaching. It provides step-by-step technical assistance on how to quickly stand up a high-impact tutoring program
  - The [application](#) to participate is open to all LEAs and is due on **Monday, June 7** by 5:00 p.m. CT. 30 applicants will be selected for the first cycle, occurring June 21 to July 16. Additional applicants will be placed on a waitlist and can participate in later workshop series running July 2021 onward
  
- **Operation Connectivity: [Webinar on June 15<sup>th</sup>](#)**
  - TEA, through Operation Connectivity is launching a program called TEA Connect Texas (TEACT) to facilitate districts access to ECF dollars in order to enable their students to get connected to commercially available fixed Broadband free of charge.
    - TEA will host a webinar on June 15<sup>th</sup> at 11am to discuss the details of this application process and answer questions that you may have and you can register in advance for the webinar
  - The Operation Connectivity team hosted a webinar in May to demonstrate the newly developed mapping tool that shows District-level eco dis student coverage by internet service providers. There was also an update on Phase 2 of our TEACT program. This phase will seek to connect economically disadvantaged students with existing high-speed broadband internet access sufficient for remote learning.
    - View the May 2021 webinar: [Operation Connectivity Update Phase 2: TEA Connect Texas \(TEACT\) Webinar Recording May 2021](#) (Passcode: 9WfXi6.Q)

**Reminders:**

- **Hurricane Season has started and runs June 1-June 11**
  - Please see our [To The Administrator Addressed](#) letter for resources and more information
  
- **P-EBT Application: Now Live**
  - The PEBT application now live. Eligible families have until August 13<sup>th</sup> to submit their application to receive benefits. Please continue to reach out to families in your district using the communication materials posted our Child Nutrition Page and encourage them to apply. Thank you for helping us get the word out!