

To the Administrator Addressed

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| DATE: | October 23, 2025 | |
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| SUBJECT: | HB 2 Implementation: Additional Days School Year Update | |
| CATEGORY: | Additional Days School Year (ADSY) | |
| NEXT STEPS: | Notify PEIMS Coordinators and other relevant staff and attend the | |
| | optional ADSY HB 2 Launch Webinar | |

The Additional Days School Year (ADSY) initiative provides formula funding to school systems adding up to 30 additional instructional days (beyond a minimum of 175 days) at eligible campuses. Established through House Bill 3, passed by the 86th Texas Legislature in June 2019, ADSY promotes expanded learning time and reduces summer learning loss. Since its inception, ADSY has supported innovative calendar redesigns, summer learning programs, and intersession strategies across Texas.

ADSY students have historically seen more growth in reading and math than those who do not participate. As an example, the following chart shows the year over year change in students at the Approaching Grade Level standard (or better) for ADSY campuses vs campuses statewide:

| Year | Subject | ADSY | Statewide | ADSY |
|------|---------|--------|-----------|--------|
| | | Growth | Growth | Impact |
| 2024 | Math | +1 ppt | -2 ppt | +3 ppt |
| 2024 | Reading | +5 ppt | +1 ppt | +4 ppt |
| 2023 | Math | +9 ppt | +3 ppt | +6 ppt |
| 2023 | Reading | +3 ppt | +0 ppt | +3 ppt |

HB 2 ADSY Updates

Building on the success of ADSY and aligned with broader efforts to enhance instructional time, House Bill 2 was passed by the 89th Legislature and was signed into law by Governor Greg Abbott on June 4, 2025. Effective September 1, 2025, House Bill 2 introduces three key updates to the ADSY program:

- Base Calendar Eligibility Requirement Lowered to 175 Instructional Days: In order to access ADSY funding, a participating campus now must provide 175 instructional days in their regular academic calendar. This requirement had previously been 180 instructional days.
- 2. **Grade Eligibility Expanded to PK-8:** Campuses will generate ADSY funding for any student in grades PK-8. This previously had been limited to PK-5.
- 3. New Pathway to ¾-day Formula Funding for Campuses Offering 200+ Days. Campuses offering 200 or more full days in their academic year (e.g., 175 regular instructional days and 25+ ADSY days) will receive ¾-day funding. Previously only ½-day formula funding available.

The table below outlines the requirements related to ADSY in general, along with the requirements necessary to maximize ADSY funding at the ¾ per day ADA funding level:

| Thresholds to Access Funding | ½ Day Formula Funding for ADSY is available to campuses that: | ¾ Day Formula Funding for ADSY is available to campuses that: |
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| Grade Level Eligibility | Serve at least one grade-level within grades PreK-8 | Serve at least one grade-level within grades PreK-8 |
| Base Calendar | Campus academic calendar(s) include at least 175 instructional days with 75,600 operational minutes, operational minutes for all campus instructional tracks, excluding any minutes covered by staff development waivers | Have a total of at least 200 full instructional days in the calendar. This total may include ADSY days, but the campus must operate a base academic calendar for all campus instructional tracks with: • At least 175 full instructional days, with • A minimum of 75,600 operational minutes, excluding any minutes covered by staff development waivers. |
| Additional Days Eligible for ADSY Formula Funding | Add 1 to 30 additional half days of instruction beyond the minimum base calendar 175 instructional days in the regular academic calendar | Add 25 to 30 additional full days of instruction beyond the minimum base calendar of 175 full instructional days to reach the 200-day threshold |
| Instructional Requirement on ADSY days | Have a teacher meeting the school system's certification requirements deliver at least two hours of instruction on designated ADSY days | Have a teacher meeting the school system's certification requirements deliver at least four hours of instruction on designated ADSY days |
| Scheduling | Host ADSY days separate from the regular instructional calendar days (e.g., ADSY days cannot be hosted in the second part of a regular instructional day) | Host ADSY days separate from the regular instructional calendar days (e.g., ADSY days cannot be hosted in the second part of a regular instructional day) |

Learn more about the shifts to ADSY by exploring the <u>ADSY webpage</u> and reading the "<u>ADSY: Key Changes Under House Bill 2</u>" guide and FAQ.

ADSY HB 2 Launch Webinar

Join the Texas Education Agency for a live webinar on key updates to the ADSY program following recent legislative changes in House Bill 2.

Date & Registration:

October 30, 2025 2:00-3:00 p.m. CDT ADSY HB 2 Launch Webinar Registration

Whether your school system is new to ADSY or has implemented ADSY programming before, the ADSY HB 2 Launch Webinar will offer valuable insights into:

• New ADSY eligibility criteria

- Expanded funding opportunities via half-day and three-fourths-day formula funding
- Strategic approaches to maximize funding and improve student outcomes under the revised ADSY framework, including:
 - o Understanding the different ADSY models
 - Best practices for effective implementation
 - PEIMS reporting requirements for ADSY

ADSY Planning and Execution Program

The Additional Days School Year Planning and Execution Program (ADSY PEP) is a voluntary grant opportunity that provides comprehensive support to school districts and open-enrollment charter schools in designing and sustaining high-quality, evidence-based ADSY programs. Through targeted professional development and technical assistance, ADSY PEP supports implementation of either the ADSY Full Year or ADSY Summer model. ADSY PEP is intended to help school systems strategically plan, launch, and refine extended learning opportunities that are responsive to student needs and aligned with local priorities.

If your school system is seeking to innovatively restructure the traditional academic calendar and daily schedules through **ADSY Full Year Redesign**, or to develop an enriching summer program through **ADSY Summer Learning**, learn more and apply to ADSY Planning and Execution Program via <u>LASO Cycle 4</u>.

Participation in the grant program is not required to access ADSY formula funding.