

[Senate Bill 1843](#) requires each school year Texas districts and open-enrollment charter schools provide students in grades 10 through 12 an opportunity to take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test or alternative test meeting the requirements of the law, and consult with a military recruiter. The law also requires the test must be scheduled during normal school hours and to optimize student participation, at a time that limits conflicts with extracurricular activities. Each school district and open-enrollment charter school shall also provide each student in grades 10 through 12 and the student’s parent or person standing in parental relation to the student a notice of the date, time, and location of the scheduled administration of the ASVAB or alternative test.

Texas districts and open-enrollment charter schools that cannot meet the 2019-2020 requirements of SB 1843 due to COVID-19 and the closing of Texas school facilities can submit a waiver request to waive the 2019-2020 school year requirement.

1. Please visit TEA’s webpage on State Waivers to access general information about the waiver process: <https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/waivers/state-waivers>
2. Please also review Waiver Process FAQ for information on how to access TEAL for the purposes of submitting a waiver request: <https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/Waiver%20Process%20FAQ.pdf>
3. Once in the TEAL waiver application, under the “Create New Waiver” tab, select the waiver type “**Other Waiver**” to create and submit a waiver request for an ASVAB Requirement waiver due to the circumstances related to COVID-19.
4. Please complete the LEA contact information, including filling in the date the board approved the waiver request.
5. For the section titled “Waiver Description” please use the language:
“Waiver from the ASVAB requirements due to COVID-19”
6. For “General Questions #1”, please use the language:
“Waiver from the ASVAB requirements due to COVID-19”
7. For “General Questions #2”, please enter N/A
8. For “General Question #3”, please use the language:
“TEC 29.9015”
9. For “General Question #4”, please enter N/A

11. For "General Question #5", please enter N/A
12. For "General Question #6", please enter N/A
13. For "Requested Years", please select only "2019-2020"
14. For "LEA Attachments", please include the Board agenda from meeting in which the waiver application request was approved.
15. Please submit your completed waiver. For a *District Editor*, at the end of the waiver application you will find a **Complete & Route** button. This will route the application to your Superintendent for review and approval. For a *District Superintendent*, at the end of the waiver application you will find a **Review and Submit** button. This will take you to a review and submit details page. If the application is complete and ready for submission, select the **Submit to TEA** button.