

DATE:	September 19, 2024
SUBJECT:	Purple Star Campus Designation Awardees SY 2024-25
CATEGORY:	Notice
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The Purple Star Campus Designation recognizes Texas school districts and open-enrollment charter school campuses that show support and commitment to meeting the unique needs of military-connected students and their families. The Texas Education Agency (TEA) accepted applications for the 2024-25 school year from April 1, 2024, through June 7, 2024, for campuses to apply for the designation and demonstrate they have met the established criteria:

1. Designate a campus-based military liaison;
2. Create and maintain an easily accessible web page that includes information for military-connected students and their families;
3. Implement a campus transition program;
4. Conduct professional development for campus staff on topics related to military-connected students; and
5. Offer at least one of the following initiatives:
  - o A resolution showing support for military-connected students and families;
  - o Participation in Month of the Military Child or Military Family Month; or
  - o Partnership with a school liaison officer to encourage and provide opportunities for active-duty military members.

A total of 541 campuses across Texas met the established criteria and have earned Purple Star Campus Designations for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years. This is a 202% increase from the PSCD's that were awarded in 2023-24 and represents incredible growth in the program and Texas schools' commitment to supporting military-connected students and families. To see the list of this year's awardees, you can visit the link below:

- [2024-25 Purple Star Campus Designation Awardee List](#)

Any Texas public school can become a Purple Star Campus, regardless of the size of the military-connected student population. School systems are encouraged to support campuses and help them meet the criteria for Purple Star Campus Designation status. Applications are accepted on an annual basis, and the designation lasts for two years. After the two-year period, campuses that were previously awarded the designation must re-apply to maintain their special designation as a Purple Star Campus.

For a full list of the Purple Star Campus Designation criteria, visit [Purple Star Campus Designation](#). To see the rule that supports this designation, visit: [19 TAC Chapter 61, Subchapter FF, Commissioner's Rules Concerning Veterans and Military Dependents](#).

For the list of previously awarded campuses that received the designation, please visit the [Purple Star Campus Designation](#) website.

### Questions

If you have any questions concerning the Purple Star Campus application process and supporting Military-Connected Students, please contact us at [MilitaryConnectedStudents@tea.texas.gov](mailto:MilitaryConnectedStudents@tea.texas.gov).