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DATE:	August 17, 2023
SUBJECT:	Annual Physical Fitness Assessment Reporting
CATEGORY:	Required Assessment
NEXT STEPS:	Identify district representative(s) to collect and submit data for
	analysis

The <u>Texas Education Code, Sections 38.101 and 38.103</u>, require that each school district and open-enrollment charter school annually assess the fitness level of all public school students in grades 3–12 enrolled in a physical education course or any physical education substitute course or activity. School districts and open-enrollment charter schools are required to submit the results of the physical fitness assessment to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) each school year. For the 2023-2024 school year, districts and charters schools may submit their data through one of three options, FitnessGram[®], the Physical Fitness Assessment Initiative (PFAI) application, or another vendor collection tool.

Please note that for any of the options selected, the deadline to submit fitness assessment results for the 2023-2024 school year is on or before <u>5:00 pm (CDT) on June 14, 2024</u>.

Option 1: FitnessGram

TEA is pleased to announce that it has entered into a contract with Greenlight Fitness to provide a statewide site license for FitnessGram at no cost to qualifying schools for the 2023–2024 school year. Campus site licenses for the FitnessGram software are paid with funds allocated to the Physical Fitness Assessment Initiative by the Texas Legislature. Districts and charter schools that select this option must renew their site license <u>annually</u> and report student physical fitness assessment data <u>only</u> through the FitnessGram software. No additional information will need to be submitted directly to TEA.

Registration information for the FitnessGram license will be made available <u>September 5,</u> <u>2023</u>. Please visit <u>https://help.fitnessgram.net/texas/</u> for instructions and registration information. The last day to <u>register</u> for a FitnessGram site license for 2023–2024 is on or before <u>5:00 pm (CDT) on June 7, 2024</u>.

Questions related to FitnessGram and the campus site license should be directed to Jessica Garcia with Greenlight Fitness by telephone at 1-866-211-2718 or by email at jessica@greenlightfitness.org.

For technical assistance questions, please call 1-866-211-2718 or email support@fitnessgram.net. You may also visit https://help.fitnessgram.net/texas/.

Option 2: PFAI Application

For districts that choose to use the PFAI application, the PFAI tool will open for data collection in January 2024. To submit data, districts are required to have a TEA Login (TEAL) account with access to the PFAI application. Information and resources, which include a PFAI Quick Start Guide, PFAI File Information and Upload Help Template, PFAI Data Template Spreadsheet, and PFAI Data Submission FAQs, have been posted to the <u>Physical Fitness</u> <u>Assessment Initiative</u> web page to assist districts with a successful data submission. Questions related to the PFAI application may be directed to TEA by telephone at (512) 463-9581 or by email at <u>pfaiprogramsupport@tea.texas.gov</u>.

Option 3: Other Vendor Collection Tools

Districts and charter schools are always free to choose other tools for the collection of physical fitness assessment data at local expense. Please note that with this option, the only way to successfully meet the requirement of reporting data to the agency is by submitting the data from the selected tool to TEA via the PFAI application. See the PFAI application above for details.