



To the Administrator Addressed

Commissioner Mike Morath

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DATE:	September 12, 2019
SUBJECT:	Competitive Grant Opportunities for Recruiting and Preparing Teachers and Principals
CATEGORY:	Educator and System Support
NEXT STEPS:	Apply for grants on the TEA Grants Opportunities page

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) is pleased to announce the opening of grant opportunities for the 2020–2022 Grow Your Own Grant Program, Cycle 3 and 2020–2021 Principal Residency Grant, Cycle 3.

The 2020–2022 Grow Your Own Grant Program, Cycle 3 can be used by districts to encourage high school students to consider teaching as a career and paraprofessionals and/or teacher aides to pursue certification. The grants can also be used by educator preparation programs to support student teachers during their year-long clinical teaching or teaching candidates during their intensive pre-service training.

The 2020–2021 Principal Residency Grants, Cycle 3 can be used by districts to cover preparation and certification costs and implement a full-time, year-long residency for their aspiring principals. Both grants are in support of the Agency's Strategic Priority to recruit, support, and retain teachers and principals.

Key dates for the 2020–2022 Grow Your Own Grant Program, Cycle 3 are as follows:

- Request for applications published September 13, 2019
- Recorded webinar available September 27, 2019
- Applications due November 15, 2019 at 5 p.m. (Central Time)

Key dates for the 2020–2021 Principal Residency Grant, Cycle 3 are as follows:

- Request for applications published September 13, 2019
- Recorded webinar available on September 30, 2019
- Applications due November 12, 2019 at 5 p.m. (Central Time)

Additional detailed information on these grant applications and other upcoming grant competitions is available in the TEA Competitive Grant Year in Advance Calendar on the [TEA Grant Opportunities Page](#). We encourage all eligible districts to consider applying.

Any further questions about the 2020–2022 Grow Your Own Grant Program, Cycle 3 guidelines should be emailed to Sheel Jagani (GYOgrant@tea.texas.gov) by October 11, 2019. Any further questions about the 2020–2021 Principal Residency Grants, Cycle 3 guidelines should be emailed to Heather Salaz (principalresidency@tea.texas.gov) by October 7, 2019. Questions that are submitted will be answered through a separate Frequently Asked Questions publication for both grant programs.

Sincerely,

Office of Educator and System Support