

To the Administrator Addressed

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DATE:	February 2, 2023
SUBJECT:	Information for Districts and Charter Schools Eligible for Title I, 1003 (a) School Improvement Funding via the Effective Schools Framework Focused Support Grant
CATEGORY:	Division of School Improvement Communication
NEXT STEPS:	Share with appropriate staff

The purpose of this letter is to provide school districts and open-enrollment charter schools (collectively, LEAs) with 2023–2025 Effective Schools Framework (ESF) Focused Support Grant funding information.

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) will provide Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Targeted Support and Improvement, and Additional Targeted Support campuses the opportunity to apply for a letter of intent (LOI)-competitive grant titled 2023-2025 ESF Focused Support Grant.

All Title I, Part A-served federally identified campuses (Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Targeted Support and Improvement, and Additional Targeted Support) will have the opportunity to apply for funding and support from the Division of School Improvement for the 2023–2024 and 2024-2025 school years. LEAs may apply on behalf of their Title I, Part A-served federally identified campus(es) for one or more identified grant paths including:

 Pathway 1 participation in one or more Texas Instructional Leadership (TIL) cohorts through a regional education service center

and/or

- Pathway 2 participation in an external Vetted Improvement Program (VIP) identified on the ESF Vetted Programs website
 - Please note that additional VIPs will be included in the ESF VIP list in mid-February 2023. Please review this information after that time for a complete list of approved VIPs for the upcoming school year.

The Title I, 1003 ESF-focused support grant will post tentatively on March 13, 2023. LEAs will have 30 days to complete the application. Additional details and information can be found on the Division of School Improvement LEA grants <u>Division of School Improvement LEA grants webpage</u>.

Additionally, the Division of School Improvement will host an informational webinar for LEAs to learn more about the 2023-2025 ESF Focused Support Grant Opportunity. Please register for the webinar using the link below.

Topic: 2023-2025 ESF Focused Support Grant Information Session

When: February 24, 2023, 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN h7h7Z9KqSVyYP3Lg-kT-SA

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Key Points

• LEAs with Title I, Part A-served Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Targeted Support and Improvement, and Additional Targeted Support campuses will have the opportunity to apply for an LOI competitive grant and complete grant requirements. Please note that a campus may not receive funding concurrently from any School Action Fund grant.

For more information, please contact the Division of School Improvement at (512) 463-5226 or SIDivision@tea.texas.gov.