

## To the Administrator Addressed

**Commissioner Mike Morath** 

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DATE:	January 5, 2023
SUBJECT:	School Safety Allotment
CATEGORY:	Action Required
NEXT STEPS:	Complete School Safety Allotment Survey

## Overview:

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) is committed to supporting local educational agencies (LEAs) in their efforts to improve the safety and security of school facilities for staff, students, and visitors. This TAA provides information related to the Senate Bill 11 School Safety Allotment.

## **School Safety Allotment:**

The 86<sup>th</sup> Legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 11, which created an annual school safety allotment to help fund equipment, programs, and training related to school safety and security. The 87th Legislature enacted House Bill (HB) 1525, which included a provision requiring TEA to publish an annual report regarding the programs, personnel, resources, and other purposes for which the funds were used by LEAs.

FY 2022 school safety allotment data will be collected by mandatory survey beginning on Thursday, January 5, 2023, and concluding Wednesday, February 8, 2023. To successfully complete the survey, LEAs should review the survey preview and gather and collect information related to all expenditures from their school safety allotment for the 2022 fiscal year. LEAs should complete the FY 2022 School Safety Allotment Survey by 11:59 p.m. CST, Wednesday, February 8, 2023.

For additional information, please see <u>Texas Education Code</u>, <u>Section 48.115</u>.

## **Questions:**

School safety resources are posted at: <a href="https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safety-discipline/safe-and-supportive-schools/school-safety-resources">https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safety-discipline/safe-and-supportive-schools/school-safety-resources</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact safeschools@tea.texas.gov.