



## To the Administrator Addressed

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<b>DATE:</b>	<b>October 28, 2022</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>Updated Proposed Minimum Standards for Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures</b>
<b>CATEGORY:</b>	<b>Student Discipline Program</b>
<b>NEXT STEPS:</b>	<b>Invited public feedback</b>

Texas Education Code (TEC), §37.0832(c), requires school districts to adopt policies and procedures concerning bullying prevention. TEC, §12.104(b)(3)(Q), also subjects open-enrollment charter schools to this requirement. Senate Bill 2050, 87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, added TEC, §37.0832(c-1), which requires the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to adopt minimum standards for the bullying prevention policies and procedures adopted under TEC, §37.0832(c).

Previously proposed minimum standards were made available for public feedback as announced in a prior TAA released on March 31, 2022. TEA is now inviting feedback from any interested person on the updated proposed minimum standards for bullying prevention policies and procedures. The updated proposed minimum standards were revised to align the draft to several new initiatives and to rulemaking related to school safety. The updated proposed minimum standards are available effective October 28, 2022, on the TEA website [Student Discipline](#) page. Public feedback will be accepted October 28, 2022, through November 28, 2022, and should be submitted to [StudentDisciplineSupport@tea.texas.gov](mailto:StudentDisciplineSupport@tea.texas.gov) with the subject line “Updated Minimum Standards Public Feedback”. All submitted feedback will be reviewed and considered prior to release of the final minimum standards.