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TEA Statute: Senate Bill 15

Senate Bill 15 allows for LEAs who meet specific criteria to offer a local remote learning program. In the instance that if there is no statute in place by September 1, 2023, all LEAs who have applied for a CDCN for a virtual or hybrid school will need to return the number back to the Texas Education Agency.





New Virtual or Hybrid School Application

Due Date: May 20, 2022



Application Window Opens March 24, 2022

Applications Reviewed on Rolling Basis

Application Window Closes May 20, 2022



TEM Why offer a virtual or hybrid model?

Virtual models can improve flexibility and customization of school, making it more accessible for learners by:

- giving students some control over the place, path, or pace at which they learn;
- crafting student schedules to offer more targeted learning options such as small
- group sessions and tutoring on campus;
- facilitating personalized, self-directed learning through which students build selfefficacy and time management skills; and
- leveraging educational technology tools to deliver instruction and engage students by practicing concepts through fun, feedback-rich, interactive programs.



TEM Key Definitions: Models for Virtual Learning

Virtual Program

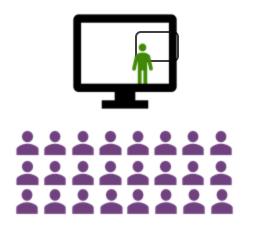
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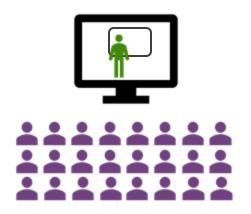
Virtual School

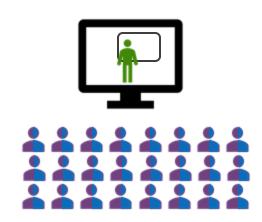
One virtual school (new CDCN / school number) set up to support all 100% remote learners in the LEA; other students attend school on campus

Hybrid Learning

Hybrid grade(s) or school(s) (new CDCN / school number) with learners who are on campus part of the week and remote for the rest of the week







Note: Blended Learning is an instructional model that combines face-to-face instruction with online learning to help teachers effectively differentiate instruction for all students



TEA Two Key Components

1. Submission of this application and virtual or hybrid school plan to the TEA demonstrates meeting all key requirements. This includes evidence of **LEA** board approval of the request for a new CDCN and virtual or hybrid school plan.

Upon TEA approval of the application in Step #1 – Complete the CDCN Request Form and submit it to <u>AskTed@tea.Texas.gov</u> or CharterAskTed@tea.texas.gov.



LEAs must meet key requirements in order to receive funding under SB 15 (87th)



LEA Eligibility

• C or higher performance rating



Program Requirements

- At least one STAAR-assessed grade level, or complete high school program
- Provide families an on-campus option
- Administer <u>assessments</u> to remote students in same manner as on-campus students



Teacher Requirements

- Professional development on virtual instruction
- No concurrent instruction



LEAs may only enroll up to 10% of their total enrollment in a local remote learning program

Who counts toward the 10% cap?

- Any student who enrolled for even a portion of the year in local remote instruction under SB 15 (87th)
- Any student receiving remote instruction NOT under the local remote program who received more than 50% of instructional days via remote learning. This can include:
 - Medically fragile
 - Placed in a remote learning setting by an admission, review, and dismissal committee
 - Receiving accommodations under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
 - Served via remote conferencing



For a student to count toward ADA under SB 15, certain eligibility requirements must be met

Based on student information from the preceding school year, if a student received remote instruction for a majority of their instructional days in the previous school year, they also must have:

- Achieved satisfactory achievement or higher on each STAAR assessment administered.
- Had a number of unexcused absences that is 10 percent or fewer out of all instructional days.
- Earned a grade of C or higher in the foundation curriculum courses taken virtually or remotely in the preceding school year.

If a student did *not* receive a majority of their instructional time in the preceding school year via remote instruction, then the criteria noted above do not apply to determine student eligibility for remote learning. However, criteria noted in the next section apply to all students.

Based on student information from the <u>current</u> school year:

- The student is <u>enrolled</u> in a school district or open-enrollment charter school.
- The student has <u>reasonable access to in-person services</u> at a LEA or school facility.
- The student has <u>fewer than 10 unexcused absences</u> over a sixmonth period.



TEM Application Components

- School Information
- School Schedule
- Education Program and Professional Development
 - Academic Plan
 - Curriculum and Instructional Practices
 - Assessment Strategies
 - **Progress Monitoring and Learning** Gaps
 - Student Engagement and Culture
 - **Professional Development** Learning Objectives

- Student Engagement and Culture
- Student Recruitment and Enrollment
- Special Populations and At-Risk Students
- Staffing Plans
- **Facilities**
- **Board Approval**
- **Assurances**



TEA School Schedule

- Instruction may not be delivered concurrently (i.e., in the same class period, teachers may not instruct remote and on-campus students simultaneously)
- Includes at least one STAAR-assessed grade level among the grade levels for which local remote learning is offered or includes a complete high school program, including each course for which an end-of-course assessment is required to be administered.
- Denotes learning modality for all courses (i.e., on-campus synchronous, on-campus asynchronous, remotely synchronously, or remotely asynchronously)
- For high school programs, there are course offerings for all required courses for a complete high school program



TEA Academic Plan

High Quality Instructional Materials

- Eureka Math Curriculum digitized for lessons
- TEKS-aligned virtual lab software

Progress Monitoring

- Summative check-point assessments every month
- Feedback on 2 graded asynchronous assignments every week. Data is organized by learning objectives and standards within the LMS.

Modality specific approach to instruction

- In Math, 20 mins of synchronous instruction via zoom and 20 mins of small group work
- Asynchronous work is captured on See-Saw or Go-Formative to see student thinking and give timely feedback

Cohesive learning experience

- The LMS is Google Classroom. Students can access all assignments, links to synchronous sessions and receive feedback on the platform.
- Edpuzzle assignment grades go directly to the LMS. The teacher uses the data from Edpuzzle to create small groups to work with



TEM Application Requirements

- Please include all the required attachments and mark "yes"
- In some sections, you may type the responses in the text boxes and/or include links to other documents with explanations
- The attachment or artifact must meet the approval criteria. In some cases, an explanation may be necessary

2. School Schedule

In this section, you may type the responses in the text boxes and/or include links to other documents with an explanation.

Attachment 1: Submit a master schedule that meets the virtual or hybrid school criteria.

Attachment 1 Included? □Yes □No If a link, enter here:



TEA Application Rubric

Applications will be scored against a rubric. If additional information is needed, LEAs may be asked to participate in an interview.

Section 2: School Schedule
1. Attachment 1: Submit a master schedule for the new virtual or hybrid school
Approval Criteria
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□0 points
The master schedule is not attached
OR the schedule does not meet the approval criteria requirements
☑ 1 point
The applicant has attached the master schedule
AND it meets all the requirements in the approval criteria
Meets Requirement □ ☑ Yes □ No
Follow up notes:

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TEA AskTed CDCN Requirements

An LEA that qualifies as an instructional campus by meeting the following criteria may apply for a CDCN:

- Has an assigned administrator
- Has enrolled students who are counted for average daily attendance
- Has students eligible for funding for remote learning (LEA demonstrates student eligibility in accordance to criteria set in SB 15)
- Has assigned instructional staff
- Provides instructional services to students
- Has one or more grades in the range from early childhood education through grade 12 or is ungraded
- It is not a program for students enrolled in another public school
- Complies with Texas laws

Resources: TEA Webpage on Campus ID, Form to apply for a CDCN

*Requests to AskTed for a new CDCN must come from the District TED Administrator or Superintendent.



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TEA Additional Resources



Texas Home Learning 3.0 (THL 3.0) launched to provide free access to high quality instructional material that operates effectively in in-person and virtual environments. Materials cover:

- Pre-K
- RLA K-12 (incl. Spanish K-5)
- Math K-12
- Science K-5



- Virtual and Hybrid Program <u>Accelerator</u>
- Virtual and Hybrid School Design Guidebook



TEA Next Steps

Virtual or Hybrid School CDCN Application Window





TEA Contact Information

Please email all questions to

remote.learning@tea.Texas.gov

Please visit the <u>Remote Learning webpage</u> to access the application.