

## Summary Debrief of TEA COVID-19 Superintendents Calls

As of: **October 29**

Next steps for districts and charters:

1. Bookmark TEA's coronavirus website [tea.texas.gov/coronavirus](https://tea.texas.gov/coronavirus) for the most up-to-date guidance
2. Please continue to submit questions to [disasterinfo@tea.texas.gov](mailto:disasterinfo@tea.texas.gov)

Reminders:

- The TEA COVID-19 Superintendent Call have moved to **Thursdays only** at 3:00pm. The call-in information has changed. Please use the call-in information sent via TEA's Superintendent Listserv on **August 13, 2020**.

Recap of topics covered:

- K-12 Rapid Testing Project
  - In partnership with the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) and the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), TEA released guidance for districts and private schools to opt-in to rapid testing.
  - More information can be found on the [TEA coronavirus website](#) and the [TDEM rapid testing website](#).
    - Both websites includes several resources and templates to support implementation of the testing program.
    - Interested [public schools](#) and [private schools](#) need to meet our eligibility requirements in order to submit respective opt-in applications; however, it is important to note that there is not a deadline to apply.
    - Regarding notification and reporting requirements, any campus that participates in our K-12 COVID-19 testing project will be required to report the total numbers of tests offered, provided and the number of positive tests each week that they administer tests.
      - These reports will be submitted in the same weekly submission that campuses are currently doing for COVID cases on campus.
      - We anticipate these reports of tests on campus will be due no sooner than November 16, but we will ask that districts submit retroactively for tests your campuses perform between now and then.
    - Separately, DSHS has been reporting positive cases at the district level on their [website weekly](#). Starting November 20, the reporting will transition to reporting at the campus level. Public release of the data will also shift to Fridays instead of Thursdays.
- Attendance and Enrollment

- The [FAQ](#) was updated to include a more explicit definition of on-campus instruction, in addition to information related to enrolling transfer students.
- Student Assessment
  - A new [FAQ](#) was posted related to administration of the December 2020 STAAR assessment.
- Staffing Approaches
  - An introductory PowerPoint was posted explaining [Staffing Approaches for Delivering a Mix of Remote and On-Campus Instruction](#)
    - A new webinar series related to this critical topic will begin November 10.
- Texas Home Learning 3.0
  - Texas Home Learning is an optional, TEKS-aligned suite of resources – including instructional materials, technology, and professional development - that educators can use fully or in-part in this new learning environment.
  - Schoology is still available for district use. As a reminder districts can take advantage of this offer until early March 2021.
  - A new round of [THL materials](#) have been released: Math K-5: Eureka Math TEKS Edition, Math 6-12: Carnegie Learning Texas Math Solution, and Science K-5: PhD Science TEKS Edition
  - There are also upcoming [webinars](#) hosted by TEA, as well as webinars hosted by our vendors:
    - [Carnegie](#)
    - [PhD Science](#)
    - [Odell](#)
  - The THL [3.0 FAQ](#) was also updated.
  - We encourage you to check out the frequently updated [Texas Home Learning](#) website for updates and recorded webinars. In addition, you can [Stay Updated](#) by signing up on the THL website.