

Summary Debrief of TEA COVID-19 Superintendents Calls As of: August 20

Next steps for districts and charters:

1. Bookmark TEA's coronavirus website tea.texas.gov/coronavirus for the most up-to-date guidance
2. Please continue to submit questions to 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:

- Remote Instruction Guidance for SY 2020-2021
 - The [SY 20-21 Attendance and Enrollment FAQ](#) was updated on August 20. There were no content updates, but the document was re-organized for clarity.
- Asynchronous and Synchronous Instruction
 - The [Asynchronous Plans FAQ](#) was updated on August 20.
 - Please submit questions on Asynchronous Plans to AsynchronousPlanReview@tea.texas.gov.
 - The current list of districts that have submitted Letters of Intent can be found [here](#).
- Operation Connectivity
 - Two webinar PPTs were posted:
 - [Operation Connectivity Bulk Order Webinar](#)
 - [Coronavirus Relief Funds \(CRF\) Local Match Reimbursement Program](#)
 - Additional information on the reimbursement program is found in the [CARES Act Funding and Expense Reimbursement FAQ](#)
 - Please proactively communicate with the customer service email (customerservice@teabulkorder.com) if you have any bulk order questions or issues.
 - Finally we wanted to give a big shout out to Dr. Pam Wells and her team at [Region 4 Education Service Center](#) for all of their hard work!
- School Funding
 - Several new FAQs were posted to answer LEA questions:
 - An updated [Federal Funding and Grants FAQ](#)
 - An updated [CARES Act Equitable Services FAQ](#)
 - An updated [CARES Act Funding and Expense Reimbursement FAQ](#)
- DAEP Programs

- We've received several questions about the impact of COVID on DAEP programs and have posted new [20-21 Discipline Guidance](#) to support districts.
 - Also included are the instructions to submit a [DAEP class size waiver](#)
- Supporting Educators
 - A new [Educator Wellness Guide](#) was posted that shares ideas around building a culture of self-care and building resilience for staff members, and lists out mental and behavioral health trainings/professional development resources available
- Supporting English Learners
 - A new [20-21 FAQ](#) and [EL Implementation guide](#) were posted to support in these students.
- Supporting Students with Disabilities
 - Several new resources were posted to support districts:
 - [SY 20-21 Students with Disabilities Planning Supports Guidebook](#)
 - [SY 20-21 Homebound FAQ](#)
 - A training video to help with [progress monitoring](#)
 - A training video related to [ARDs and contingency planning for remote learning](#)
- Texas Home Learning
 - The Texas Home Learning 3.0 [Learning Management System](#) (LMS) was announced as a free 2-year resource for districts.
 - Last week, a webinar and [PPT](#) was posted describing the resources available related to [THL 3.0 College Prep Math](#). These materials are expected to be released by August 31.
- Additional Updates
 - While not directly related to COVID, new TAAs were posted to announce the [Blended Learning Planning Grants](#) and [Student Assessment](#) related updates.
 - The deadline to apply for the Blended Learning Planning Grant is September 18.