

## Office of School Finance

# Adult High School Charter School Program Funding





# **Legal References**

Texas Education Code (TEC), Chapter 12: §§12.106, 12.255, 12.258, 12.263; TEC Chapter 48 Senate Bill (SB) 1615, 87th Texas Legislature, 2021; SB 2032, 88th Texas Legislature, 2023



### **Background Information**

The Adult High School Diploma and Industry Certification Charter School Program was created as a pilot program by the Texas Legislature in 2013 specifically for adults ages 18 to 50 years of age, who did not complete high school. The program supported these students in earning a high school diploma or industry certification.

SB 1615 created Subchapter G in the TEC, Chapter 12, and renamed the Adult High School Diploma and Industry Certification Charter School Program as the Adult High School Charter School Program. The bill updated several provisions of the program, including the state funding components.

SB 2032 further amended the TEC, Chapter 12, Subchapter G, to expand the types of entities eligible for a charter to operate an Adult Education Program and limit the Texas Education Agency to granting no more than ten Adult High School Charter School Programs.



# **State Funding**

Funding for the Adult High School Charter School Program flows through the Foundation School Program (TEC, Chapter 48) based on average daily attendance (ADA) and student performance outcomes. Specific funding provisions applicable only to the Adult High School Charter School Program are described below.

### **Average Daily Attendance**

For purposes of determining ADA, a student is considered to be in ADA based on the percentage of the school year in which a student is enrolled.

The table below illustrates the provision for determining ADA for each student participating in an Adult Education Program:

TEC	Enrollment Percentage for the School Year	ADA
12.263 (b-1)	At least 75%	1.00
12.263 (b-2)	At least 50% but less than 75%	0.50
12.263 (b-3)	At least 25% but less than 50%	0.25
12.263 (b-4)	At least 10% but less than 25%	0.10
12.263 (c)	Less than 10%	0.00

#### **State Compensatory Education Allotment**

The allotment is determined based on the identification of census block groups for students who, at any time, were enrolled during the school year and qualify for the State Compensatory Education Allotment. The amount provided is proportional to the duration of the student's enrollment in the Adult Education Program. The data collection of census block groups of students in an adult high school charter occurs through the Texas Student Data System (TSDS) Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) summer submission.

#### College, Career, or Military Readiness Outcomes Bonus

SB 1615 provides that a graduate of an adult high school charter demonstrates career readiness by earning an industry-accepted certificate not later than six months after completing the program.

#### **Other Programs Funding**

Adult high school charter schools are entitled to an annual allotment equal to the district basic allotment multiplied by the following weights for specific student performance outcomes:

- 0.10 for earning a diploma,
- 0.02 for earning credits in career technology education courses (CTE), and
- 0.01 for earning credits in non-CTE related courses.

The annual allotment is reported in the adult high school charter school's Summary of Finances report under Other Programs and in the Other Programs Detail report.



### **Contact for More Information**

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