

## To the Administrator Addressed

**Commissioner Mike Morath** 

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DATE:	November 5, 2020
SUBJECT:	Summer School Program for English Learners (ELs) in Kindergarten
	and First Grade Reimbursements
CATEGORY:	Required English Learner Programs
NEXT STEPS:	Share with appropriate staff

Title 19 of Texas Administrative Code (TAC), §89.1250, requires local education agencies (LEAs) to provide a summer school program for English learners who will be eligible for admission to kindergarten or first grade at the beginning of the next school year. LEAs were provided with the following options to complete the required EL summer program:

- complete the EL summer school requirement prior to the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year;
- begin EL summer school in summer of 2020 and complete the 120 hours of instruction (supplemental to the regular school day) throughout the 2020-2021 school year; or
- complete the 120 hours of instruction (supplemental to the regular school day) during the 2020-2021 school year.

For more information please visit the English Learner Summer School Guidance.

Reimbursement amounts will be based on teaching units with 18 students or a fraction thereof constituting a unit. Since the appropriation for this program is a fixed amount, it will be necessary to prorate unit allotments if enrollment exceeds projections. Based on 2019 program costs, it is suggested that LEAs plan for reimbursements of approximately \$1,300 per unit. Business managers should be informed that the fund code is 289 and that payment to the LEA will be provided through direct deposit in **September of 2021**.

Please note that data will be collected through the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) for summer school 2020. For LEAs completing EL summer school prior to the 2020-2021 school year, "THEBILINGUAL/ESL-SUMMER-SCHOOL-INDICATOR-CODE" is included in the Student Program Extension as documented in the 2019-2020 Texas Education Data Standards (TEDS) to identify students participating in the Bilingual/ESL Summer School Program. This indicator code is collected in Submission 4 only, and the due date to TEA was **August 27, 2020**.

For LEAs completing the EL summer school program during the 2020-2021 school year, participation data will be reported in the 2020-2021 PEIMS Submission 4 and must be reported to TEA by **August 26**, **2021**.

If you have any questions regarding requirements, please email EnglishLearnerSupport@tea.texas.gov.