

To the Administrator Addressed

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DATE:	July 22, 2021
SUBJECT:	TCLAS Application Now Open for LEAs
CATEGORY:	Grant Opportunity and Interest Survey
NEXT STEPS:	Share with instructional and grant staff

The <u>Texas COVID Learning Acceleration Supports (TCLAS)</u> application is now open for school districts and open-enrollment charter schools. This one-stop-shop application provides Texas local education agencies (LEAs) access to over \$1.4 billion in state discretionary ESSER funding, access to over 20 TEA initiatives, and funding for district personnel to carry out these supports.

The following opportunities are available over the coming weeks for LEAs to learn more, ask questions, or apply for TCLAS grants before the **application closes at 11:59 p.m. CT on August 20, 2021**:

- 1. Learn: See the <u>recordings and slides</u> from the TCLAS Overview Webinar and all 10 TCLAS Decision Point-Specific Webinars..
- 2. **Ask**: Attend an upcoming **TCLAS Office Hours** session to get answers to questions about TCLAS.
 - When and where: Every Wednesday from July 28th through August 18th at 4 p.m. CT; <u>Calendar Invitation Here</u>
- 3. **Apply**: Review the <u>TCLAS Guidance Document</u>, calculate your estimated award with the <u>TCLAS Award Calculator</u>, and **submit your initial application** through <u>this webbased survey</u>. The TCLAS application is a web-based survey which will be followed by a simple eGrants application in the TEAL system, in September, with no narrative responses required.

LEAs can reach out to <u>TCLAS@tea.texas.gov</u> with any questions and should indicate their interest in applying for TCLAS through this <u>1-minute survey</u>.