

### Office of School Finance

Tuition Allotment (Grades K-12)

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# **Legal References**

Texas Education Code (TEC), §48.154 and §25.039

19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §61.1012, Contracts and Tuition for Education Outside District

## Background Information

Under the TEC, §25.039 (a), a school district (home district) that does not offer instruction in each grade level from kindergarten through grade 12 may contract with a district (receiving district) that does offer instruction in those grade levels. Home districts may send students residing in the district for instruction at a receiving district. The home district is entitled to receive an allotment for the tuition amount paid to the receiving district not to exceed the amount specified by commissioner rule under the TEC, §25.039 (b).

# Reprogram Description

The tuition reimbursement amount for a district is limited to a per student amount calculated for each district by the Division of State Funding at Texas Education Agency (TEA) based on the requirements contained in TAC §61.1012. The *Tuition Limit Report* is found under the Report drop down menu in the **School District State Aid Reports** in the Foundation School Program (FSP). The tuition amount is assigned on an annual basis in July based on the number of participating students. Home districts submit documentation to the Division of State Funding at TEA via email. The documents submitted consist of the following: 1) paid invoices stating the number of participating students, 2) most current board-approved contract, and 3) proof of payment made to the receiving district. Districts that have previously contracted under TEC, §25.039 will be paid on prior year estimates during the school year until the documentation for the current year is submitted and incorporated into the district's summary of finances (SOF) report. The tuition allotment is a part of a district's total cost of Tier One.



#### **Contact for More Information**

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