



Innovative Services for Students with Autism Grant Award Program

Overview of Grant Award Program
and Application Process

January 21, 2022

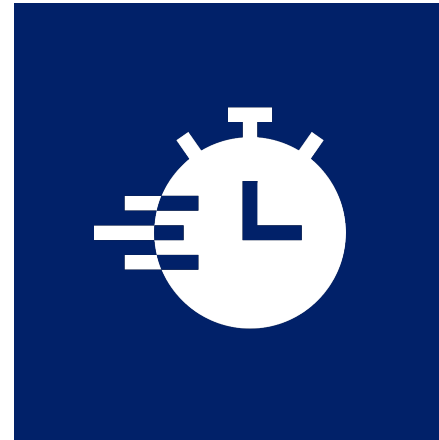
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Grant
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Webinar Norms

- Use the Q&A feature for any questions.
- Use the Chat feature for any technical support issues (e.g., audio, video).
- Please hold your questions until the end of the presentation, if possible.



Grant Overview

Grant originated in the 87th Texas Legislature

- The authorization of the grant comes from [House Bill 1525](#) and Rider 69 (included in [Senate Bill 1](#)). House Bill 1525 amends Texas Education Code, §29.026.
- \$70 million was appropriated for this grant with \$35 million for each of two years.
 - 2022-2023 and 2023-2024





Grant Overview

Who is eligible to apply?

- All Texas local education agencies (LEAs) are eligible to apply for grant funding.
- LEAs may apply individually or in collaboration with other districts or open-enrollment charter schools. Prioritization of funding is given to collaborative applications.



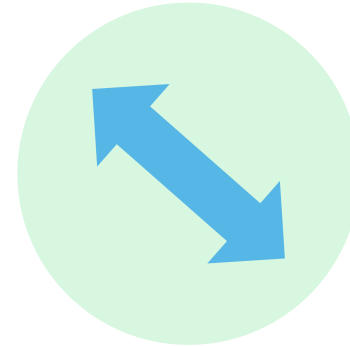


Grant Overview

Purpose of the Grant



To increase the LEA's capacity to implement innovative programs that effectively serve students with autism ages three through 21.



To result in effective, scalable models that can be replicated in other areas of the state.



Grant Overview

Interested in Applying

Please complete the intent to apply form esc13.wufoo.com/forms/notice-of-intent-to-apply

Info Sessions

January 21, 2022 – Overview of Grant Award Program and Application Process from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. CST

January 28, 2022 – Questions and Answer from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. CST

Register for Webinars

Register for both webinars which will be recorded and posted on the website at go.esc13.net/info-sessions



Application Process

To be eligible for a grant award, the LEA's application must incorporate:

- Evidence-based practices
- Data collection on student achievement and improvement
- Parental support and collaboration
- Use of technology, which may include interactive technology
- Meaningful inclusion
- Ability to replicate the program for students statewide





Application Process

General list of allowable expenses for grant include but not limited to:

Salaries for dedicated staff

Professional or contracted services

Capital outlay and equipment

Instructional resources, curriculum development, and materials

Technology

Interpreter or translation for services for parent training

Community Based Instruction



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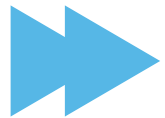
January 3 – May 15, 2022

Submit application questions
to autismgrant@esc13.txed.net

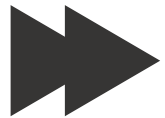


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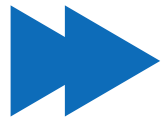
Grant application dates



Grant application opens on **February 1, 2022**.



Grant application closes on **March 18, 2022**.

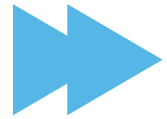


Additional grant details will be available on **February 1, 2022**, when the grant application opens.





Application Process



March 31 – April 11, 2022

- If funds are available after all eligible applications are reviewed, LEAs may resubmit applications that need revision in order to be eligible for funding.
- Assistance will be provided to these LEAs.
- The LEA will be notified by March 30, 2022, that resubmission is an option.



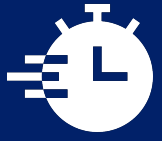


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Notifications of grants

- ▶ **April 13, 2022** — Grant application status letters distributed.
- ▶ **April 15, 2022** — Grant award application for selected applicants opens on the TEA eGrants System (Applicants must complete this step to receive grant funding).
- ▶ **May 15, 2022** — Grant award application for selected applicants closes on the TEA eGrants System.
- ▶ **May 16, 2022** — Grant award start date.





Website Walk-through

<https://go.esc13.net/autism-grant-award-program/>

- Intent to Apply Form
- Important Dates
- Webinars (register for future and view previously recorded)

Coming Soon: Frequently Asked Questions, Application (2/1/22), Allowable and non-allowable expenses



Contact for Information

Have questions?

Contact us for more information by emailing our Team at autismgrant@esc13.txed.net