



Innovative Services for Students with Autism - Year 2

Overview of Grant Award Program
and Application Process

January 11, 2023

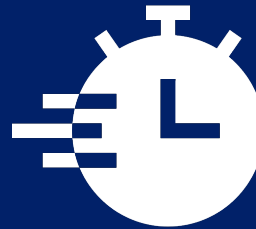
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Webinar Norms

- 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

- \$70 million was appropriated for the original grant, with \$35 million for each of 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.
- Approximately \$8 million is still available for local education agencies (LEAs).





Grant Overview

Who is eligible to apply?

- All Texas public schools and open-enrollment charter schools are eligible to apply for grant funding.
- Current recipients of the two year 2022-2024 Innovative Services for Students with Autism Grant are not eligible to apply.
- LEAs may apply individually or in collaboration with other districts or open-enrollment charter schools. Prioritization of funding is given to collaborative applications.



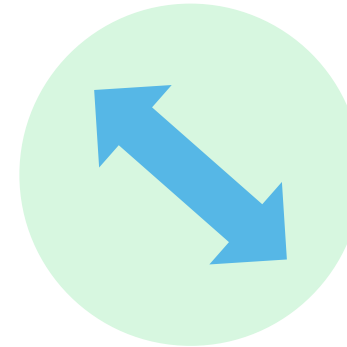


Grant Overview

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
[Link to Intent to Apply Form](#)

Info Sessions via Zoom

January 11, 2023 (today) – Overview of Grant Award Program and Application Process from 9:00 am-11:00 am CST

January 18, 2023 – Questions and Answer from 9:00 am-11:00 am CST

Links for Zoom Sessions

Zoom links for the sessions, which will be recorded and posted on the website, found at:
<https://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



Application Process

Application:

Opens: February 1, 2023

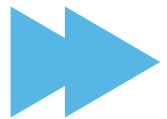
Closes: March 3, 2023 11:59 PM CST

Submit application questions
to autismgrant@esc13.txed.net

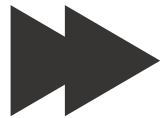


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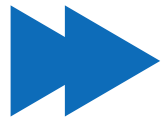
Grant application dates



Grant application opens on **February 1, 2023**.



Grant application closes on **March 3, 2023**.

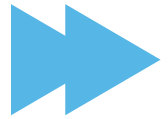


TEA application will open on **April 17, 2023** for applicants who have been selected for the award.





Application Process



March & April 2023

- 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 during the review process that resubmission is an option.



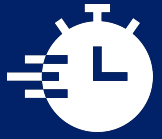


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Notifications of grants

- ▶ **April 2023**— Grant application status letters distributed.
- ▶ **April 17, 2023**— Grant award application for selected applicants *opens* on the TEA System (Applicants must complete this step to receive grant funding).
- ▶ **May 17, 2023**— Grant award application for selected applicants *closes* on the TEA System.
- ▶ **May 17, 2023** — Grant begin date. Grantees able to draw down funds.





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)
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Allowable and Non-allowable expenses
- Application Preview

Coming Soon: Application (February 1, 2023)



Contact for Information

Have questions?

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