

State Compensatory Education (SCE)

Texas Education Code (TEC) and Texas Administrative Code (TAC)

TEC, §42.152(b); TAC §61.1027

History/Relevant Background Information

The SCE allotment was authorized by the 74th Legislature, and became effective May 30, 1996.

Year	Allotment
2009-2010	\$3,006,059,883
2010-2011	\$3,128,023,289
2011-2012	\$3,212,868,678
2012-2013	\$3,310,473,117
2013-2014	\$3,494,489,621
2014-2015	\$3,621,329,171
2015-2016	\$3,771,516,221
2016-2017*	\$3,821,548,409
2017-2018**	\$3,869,269,537

*Near Final

**Legislative Payment Estimate

Description of Program

Compensatory education is defined in law as programs and/or services designed to supplement the regular education program for students identified as at risk of dropping out of school.

The goal of compensatory education programs is to reduce any disparity in performance on assessments or in rates of high school completion between students at risk of dropping out of school and all other district students.

Funding allocated for compensatory education programs and/or services is based on the number of educationally disadvantaged students in a district. The number of educationally disadvantaged students is determined by averaging the highest six months of student enrollment in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) for free or reduced-price lunches or in the School Breakfast Program (SBP) for the prior federal fiscal year. In 2015-2016 Texas implemented the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) to improve access to free school meals in eligible high-poverty campuses and eliminate the administrative burden of collecting household applications for free and reduced-priced meals. CEP counts are now included in the highest six-month's average.

For each student who is educationally disadvantaged or who does not have a disability and resides in a residential placement facility in a district in which the student's parent or legal guardian does not reside, a district is entitled to an annual allotment equal to the adjusted basic allotment multiplied by 0.2.

Data reported for SCE eligibility claims must include one of the following sources:

- NSLP, SBP and CEP information received through the Texas Unified Nutrition Programs System (TX-UNPS) of the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA); or
- A contract between the school district or charter school and the TDA to provide NSLP or SBP services; or
- A contract between the school district or charter school and a school district to provide NSLP or SBP services; or
- The Alternative SCE Basic Monthly Claim, submitted directly to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for campuses that do not participate in the TDA programs

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