

Webinar Date:

May 19, 2026

Meeting Purpose and Description:

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) is convening a series of informational webinars intended for Local Education Agency (LEA) special education administrators. These sessions will serve as a platform for TEA to disseminate current and forthcoming guidance, address frequently asked questions (FAQs), and share relevant materials pertaining to students with disabilities and the provision of special education services.

Participant Engagement Protocol:

TEA welcomes inquiries from participants and encourages engagement through the designated Question and Answer (Q&A), polls and surveys from the presenters, and reactions features.

Topic	Presenter
ESA Appeals	Ed O'Neill Executive Director, Stakeholder Engagement and Systems and Field Supports
New ECSE Resources	Emily Groomer Early Childhood Special Education State Coordinator
Day Program Funding Allotment	Michelle Salinas Director, Day, Residential and HCF Programs
Educational Residential Placements- Statutory Overview and Rulemaking Timelines	Michelle Salinas Director, Day, Residential and HCF Programs
Special Education Funding	Dr. David Mapps Deputy Program Management Director