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Texas School Compliance Calendar 2026–27

State reporting, public hearings, budget and tax deadlines, safety requirements, and federal must-haves on one month-by-month planning calendar for superintendents, CFOs, and board secretaries.

Current as of November 13, 2026 · Dates from TEA, TSDS, Comptroller, and statute · Confirm against your ESC's local deadlines

ESCs often set earlier internal PEIMS deadlines than TEA. Fiscal-year dates differ for July 1 and September 1 districts. Use this as a planning tool, and confirm each date with TEA, your ESC, and your board policy manual.

01 MONTH-BY-MONTH CALENDAR

MONTH	DEADLINE OR REQUIREMENT	AUTHORITY / SOURCE
Nov 2026	Nov 9: 2nd six-weeks attendance submission window opens Nov 30–Dec 11: STAAR EOC testing window Begin preparing the PEIMS Fall Submission (snapshot was Oct 30)	TSDS timeline; 2027 Accountability Manual, ch. 13
Dec 2026	**Dec 3:** 2nd six-weeks attendance due **Dec 10:** PEIMS Fall First Submission due Before Dec 11: TEA sends accountability appeal decisions Watch for the TAPR release, which starts your 90-day hearing clock	TSDS; TEA Performance Reporting Calendar
Jan 2027	Jan 12: Legislature convenes Mid-Jan to mid-Feb: trustee candidate filing period for May elections (check exact dates with your district or the Secretary of State) **Jan 21:** PEIMS Fall Resubmission due **Jan 28:** PEIMS Mid-Year First Submission due; 3rd six-weeks attendance due	TLC; TSDS; district election notices
Feb 2027	Feb 15–Mar 26: TELPAS testing window Hold the **TAPR / annual report public hearing** within 90 calendar days of receiving the PDF TAPR (winter break days don't count) Publish the annual report within 2 weeks after the hearing	TEC §39.306; 19 TAC §61.1022; 2027 Accountability Manual

MONTH	DEADLINE OR REQUIREMENT	AUTHORITY / SOURCE
Mar 2027	**Mar 12:** last day for legislators to file most bills **Mar 18:** 4th six-weeks attendance due Spring: begin budget development for the next fiscal year	TLC; TSDS
Apr 2027	Spring STAAR administration (see TEA testing calendar) Plan lockdown drill #2 if it isn't done yet (one per semester)	TEA; 19 TAC §103.1209
May 2027	**May 1:** uniform election date (trustee elections) Canvass results and seat new trustees; new-trustee training clock starts **May 13:** 5th six-weeks attendance due **May 31:** Legislature adjourns sine die	Tex. Election Code; 19 TAC §61.1; TSDS
Jun 2027	**July 1 fiscal-year districts:** proposed budget about June 19; notice of budget/tax-rate meeting 10–30 days before; **adopt the budget by June 30** PEIMS Summer First Submission (check the TSDS timeline for the date)	TEC §44.002–.004; Comptroller TNT calendar
Jul 2027	Certified appraisal roll arrives (about July 25) PEIMS Summer Resubmission (check the TSDS timeline) Summer safety prep: review exterior doors, the EOP, and the BTA team roster	Tax Code; TSDS; TEA safety guidance
Aug 2027	Submit the Local Property Value Survey (Aug 1 deadline in 2026) Preliminary MCR; appeal window about 10 days **Sept 1 fiscal-year districts:** adopt the budget by Aug 31 Back-to-school: post required notices; distribute the student code of conduct and handbook	TEA MCR guidance; TEC §44.0011; Comptroller TNT calendar
Sept 2027	Sept 1: most new laws take effect Adopt the tax rate by Sept 30 or the 60th day after receiving the certified roll, whichever is later Post the most recent School Report Card on the district website by the 10th instructional day	Tex. Const. art. III §39; Tax Code §26.05; TEA public reporting guide
Oct 2027	First Friday: PEIMS Fall Enrollment snapshot; submission due mid-October Distribute School Report Cards to parents within 6 weeks of TEA's notice FIRST hearing within 2 months of receiving the final rating (timing varies)	TSDS; TEC §39.306/.362; 19 TAC ch. 109

Tax-rate adoption: confirm the current deadline and any voter-approval tax rate election (VATRE) dates with the Comptroller's Truth-in-Taxation calendar. Districts holding a VATRE have an earlier schedule.

02 EVERY-YEAR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

REQUIREMENT	FREQUENCY	AUTHORITY
Secure (lockout) drill	1 per school year	19 TAC §103.1209

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Lockdown drill	2 per year (1 per semester)	19 TAC §103.1209
Evacuation drill	1 per school year	19 TAC §103.1209
Shelter-in-place drill (severe weather or hazmat)	1 per school year	19 TAC §103.1209
Fire evacuation drills	As set by your local fire authority; 4 per year (2 per semester) if there is none	19 TAC §103.1209
Drill accommodations for students with an IEP or 504 plan	Every drill	SB 57 (2025)
Review and renew any good-cause exception to the armed-officer requirement	Annually	HB 121 (2025); TEC §37.0814
Comprehensive safety and security audit, reported to the board and TxSSC	At least every 3 years	TEC §37.108(b)–(c)
Report BTAs, vulnerability assessments, and intruder detection audits through Sentinel	Ongoing	19 TAC §103.1213

03 BOARD TRAINING CLOCKS

TRAINING	NEW TRUSTEES	EXPERIENCED TRUSTEES
Open Meetings Act and Public Information Act	First 90 days	Not listed annually
Local orientation (3 hrs); Orientation to the TEC (3 hrs)	First 120 days	Update after each session
Evaluating and Improving Student Outcomes (3 hrs)	First 120 days	Every 2 years
School safety (2 hrs, TEA Learn)	First 120 days	Every 2 years
Parental rights (SB 204, TEA Learn)	5 hrs, first 120 days	3 hrs annually
Preventing abuse and reporting misconduct (1 hr)	First 120 days	Every 2 years
Cybersecurity (new 9/1/26) and artificial intelligence	Within first year	Annually
Team building (3 hrs) and additional Framework hours	3 + 10 hrs, first year	3 + 5 hrs annually

Source: TASB, "Current Trustee Training Requirements," based on SBOE rules in 19 TAC ch. 61, subch. A (§§61.1, 61.3, 61.4). Training is reported annually at the last regular board meeting before the trustee election.

04 FEDERAL MUST-HAVES (ALL YEAR)

FERPA

Annual notice to parents of their rights under FERPA (34 CFR §99.7) and of your directory-information designations.

Title IX

Designate a Title IX Coordinator, publish the nondiscrimination notice, and train staff under the 2020 regulations. Those regulations were formally re-codified in September 2026.

IDEA and Section 504

Child find, timelines for evaluations and ARD/IEP meetings, procedural safeguards notices, and Section 504 procedures and coordinator.

ESSA and McKinney-Vento

Title I parent and family engagement policy and compacts, a homeless education liaison, and annual report card posting.

This calendar is updated in Texas Ed Brief. Get deadline reminders every Tuesday and Friday: **texasedbrief.org/subscribe**

Sources

- TEA, Early Notice: TSDS PEIMS Submission Timeline Changes (TAA, Sept 25, 2025)
- TSDS Web-Enabled Data Standards, 2026-27 Six Weeks Attendance timeline
- TEA, Performance Reporting Calendar of Events 2026-27; 2027 Accountability Manual, Chapter 13
- TEA, Public Reporting Requirements for Districts and Campuses; TAPR Guidelines
- Texas Comptroller, Truth-in-Taxation important dates; Linebarger 2026 school district tax rate adoption calendar
- TEA TAA: Preliminary MCR and Adoption Tax Rate, Tax Year 2026
- 19 TAC §103.1209 (Mandatory School Drills); TEA TAA, School Safety 89th Legislative Updates (July 17, 2025)
- TASB, Current Trustee Training Requirements; Federal Register, Recodification of Title IX Rules (Sept 29, 2026)

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📌 KEY RESOURCES

TEA 89th Legislature implementation timeline
tea.texas.gov/89th

Comptroller Truth-in-Taxation
comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/truth-in-taxation

TASB trustee training requirements
tasb.org/resources/current-trustee-training-requirements

Texas Ed Brief resource library
texasedbrief.org/resources.html

Texas Student Data System (PEIMS/TSDS)
texasstudentdatasystem.org

Texas School Safety Center (TxSSC)
txssc.txstate.edu

U.S. Dept. of Education student privacy (FERPA)
studentprivacy.ed.gov

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