

▶ What is required to participate in the program?

Parents who participate in the TEFA program must agree to use the funds only for eligible expenses, allow their child's school to share assessment results with the CEO, and avoid selling any items purchased with program money. They must also notify the CEO within 30 days if their child enrolls in a public school, graduates from high school, or otherwise becomes ineligible to attend a public school.

▶ Who qualifies as a child with disabilities?

A student may qualify as a child with a disability if they are at least three years old but not more than 21 years old and have an Individual Education Plan (IEP) or one or more of the following conditions that prevent them from being adequately or safely educated in public school without special services:

- Visual or auditory impairment
- Physical disability
- Intellectual or developmental disability
- Emotional disturbance
- Learning disability
- Autism
- Speech disability
- Traumatic brain injury

▶ Who qualifies as a child with disabilities?

Applicants are prioritized as follows:

- Students with a disability (defined by the TX Educ. Code Sec. 29.003) whose family income is at or below 500% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG).
- Children whose family income is at or below 200% of FPG.
- Children whose family income is between 200% and 500% of FPG.
- All other students may qualify if funds remain, with no more than 20% of spots reserved for this group, and priority given to those switching from public schools.

Household	Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG) yearly income	200% of FPG yearly income	500% of FPG yearly income
1	\$15,650	\$31,300	\$78,250
2	\$21,150	\$42,300	\$133,750
3	\$26,650	\$53,300	\$133,250
4	\$32,150	\$64,300	\$160,750
5	\$37,650	\$75,300	\$188,250
6	\$42,150	\$83,920	\$215,750

▶ How does a child qualify for priority group one placement?

To qualify for priority group 1 placement, families are required to provide:

- A letter verifying the child's eligibility to receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance, or
- A written diagnosis from a licensed physician verifying one of the listed disabilities, or
- An IEP issued by a Texas public school district or open-enrollment charter school.

▶ How does a child qualify for priority group one placement?

To receive up to \$30,000 per year, families must provide an IEP from a Texas public school district or charter school.