

CFISD Texas Government Scope and Sequence (2026–2027)

Course Description

Origin and development of the Texas constitution, structure and powers of state and local government, federalism and inter-governmental relations, political participation, the election process, public policy, and the political culture of Texas.

In accordance with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS), Celebrate Freedom Week will be incorporated during the week of September 17.

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS)

Reference: [Special Topics Standards](#)

First Semester (80 Days)

1st Grading Period – Ends October 8, 2026 (41 Days)

Unit	Days	End Date
Supportive Learning Environment (SLE)	3	Aug. 14, 2026
Unit 1: Foundations of Texas Government	20	Sept. 14, 2026
Unit 2: Interactions Among the Branches	18	Oct. 8, 2026

2nd Grading Period – Ends December 18, 2026 (39 Days)

Unit	Days	End Date
Unit 3: Local Government, Ideologies, and Participation	15	Nov. 9, 2026
Unit 4: Policies	15	Dec. 7, 2026
Application, Extended Learning, Lone Star Final	9	Dec. 18, 2026

Second Semester (93 Days)

3rd Grading Period – Ends March 11, 2027 (46 Days)

Unit	Days	End Date
Supportive Learning Environment (SLE)	3	Jan. 7, 2027
Unit 1: Foundations of Texas Government	23	Feb. 10, 2027
Unit 2: Interactions Among the Branches	20	March 11, 2027

4th Grading Period – Ends May 27, 2027 (47 Days)

Unit	Days	End Date
Unit 3: Local Government, Ideologies, and Participation	18	April 15, 2027
Unit 4: Policies	18	May 12, 2027
Application, Extended Learning, Lone Star Final	11	May 27, 2027

Instructional Materials

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Notes

The length of each unit is a specific number of days, but it is understood that there is a range of +/- a day. The purpose of the flexibility is meant to allow teachers the opportunity to plan for the needs of their students and to accommodate re-teaching or review when necessary. If pre-assessment indicates student mastery could be obtained in a fewer number of days, the additional time could be used for extension or carried into the next unit.