2026-27 TIA Technical Assistance Calendar

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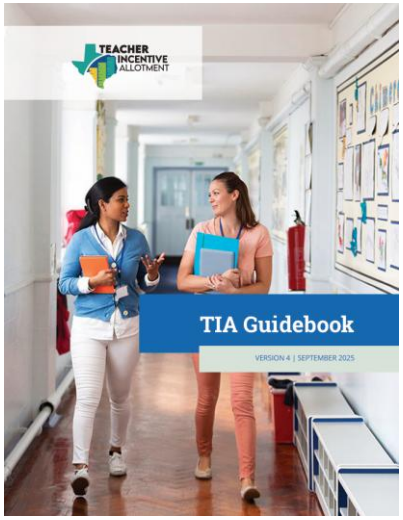
This calendar is organized chronologically and includes sessions aligned to different TIA district audiences. Districts interested in expanding or modifying their local designation system may wish to attend sessions spanning different target audiences.

Most sessions will be recorded. Please bookmark our ShareFile folder to access session recordings and materials.

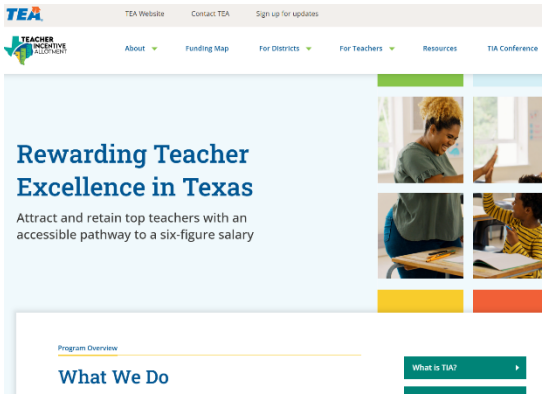
Audience Key:

- **Applying Districts**: Districts preparing to submit a new TIA application
- **Application Accepted Districts**: Districts that have had their application accepted and are working toward full system implementation
- **Approved Districts**: Districts that have passed data validation and are focused on refinement, expansion, or sustainability
- **Expanding Districts**: Districts building on an existing TIA system (e.g., adding eligibility areas, refining design, or increasing scale)
- **Renewing Districts**: Districts with an approved TIA system that are preparing to submit a renewal application to maintain and continue their designation system
- **All Districts**: Sessions relevant across all phases of TIA implementation

District Resources:



TIA Guidebook



TIA Website



ShareFile

All Sessions (Chronological)

Date	Time	Title	Audience	Description
Wednesday, September 2	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Overview of the Data Capture Year: Collecting Data	Application Accepted Districts	Districts will get an overview of the required data capture year timeline and best practices.
Wednesday, September 9	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Engaging District Stakeholders	All Districts	Districts will learn strategies and best practices to engage stakeholders in the local designation system.
Wednesday, September 16	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Choosing Student Growth Measures: Overview of Pre-Tests and Post-Tests	Applying Districts Expanding Districts	Districts will be provided with an overview of the different pre-test and post-test options available to measure student growth in a TIA local designation system.
Wednesday, September 23	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Moving Beyond Traditional TIA to Enhanced TIA	All Districts	Districts will be provided with next steps for moving towards earning an Enhanced TIA designation.
Wednesday, September 23	1:00-2:30 p.m.	Choosing Student Growth Measures: Overview of Portfolios	Applying Districts Expanding Districts	Districts will be provided with an overview of Portfolios including definitions, modes of measuring growth, and considerations for the local designation system.
Wednesday, September 30	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Choosing Student Growth Measures: Overview of SLOs	Applying Districts Expanding Districts	Districts will gain an understanding of how the Texas SLO process works and how it could be used as a valid and reliable student growth measure.
Wednesday, October 7	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Data Submission Office Hour	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Office hour for Data Submission. Clarify policies and processes to submit an accurate file on time.
Wednesday, October 21	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Creating a TIA Spending Plan: New to TIA	Applying Districts	Districts will learn how to draft a spending plan using stakeholder engagement and statutory spending requirements.
Wednesday, October 21	1:00-2:00 p.m.	Exploring the Enhanced TIA Readiness Guide	All Districts	Districts will understand the components of a high-quality strategic compensation system and how to assess their readiness to apply for Enhanced TIA designation.

Wednesday, October 28	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Expanding Teacher Eligibility - Small to Medium-Sized Districts	All Districts	Districts will gain an understanding of how to include more eligible teaching assignments in their local designation systems. The session will provide insights into best practices and offer resources to support these efforts.
Wednesday, November 4	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Expanding Teacher Eligibility – Medium to Large-Sized Districts	All Districts	Districts will gain an understanding of how to include more eligible teaching assignments in their local designation systems. The session will provide insights into best practices and offer resources to support these efforts.
Wednesday, November 18	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Promoting Professional Growth Through Teacher Observation Systems & Practices	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Districts will review strategies and best practices that promote professional growth in teacher observation systems.
Wednesday, December 2	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Applying for an Enhanced TIA Designation in the TIA Portal	Districts Interested in an Enhanced TIA Designation	Districts will learn how and where to apply for Enhanced TIA. The scoring criteria for the Enhanced TIA tab will also be shared.
Wednesday, January 13	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Defining Administrator Effectiveness for Enhanced TIA	All Districts	Districts will learn how to utilize their strategic plan to support the development of a strategic compensation system to define and quantify administrator effectiveness.
Wednesday, January 20	10:00-11:30 a.m.	TIA 2027 Application Launch	All Districts	Districts will gain an understanding of the TIA system application and submission process, including guidance and best practices for completing a high-quality application.
Wednesday, January 27	10:00-10:30 a.m.	Application Launch: TIA System Renewal & Continuous Improvement	Renewing Districts	This supplemental session will focus on renewal-specific components of the TIA application. Districts will review the process and requirements for renewing an existing local designation system.
Wednesday, January 27	11:00-11:30 a.m.	Application Launch: TIA System Expansion and Modification Application	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	This supplemental session will focus on expansion and modification-specific components of the TIA application. Districts will review the process and requirements for expanding and modifying an existing local designation system.

Wednesday, February 3	10:00-11:00 a.m.	The Data Validation Report – Part 1: Understanding the Report	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Districts will understand the information within and the results of their Data Validation report.
Wednesday, February 10	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Defining Effectiveness for Teachers for Enhanced TIA	All Districts	Districts will learn how to utilize their strategic plan to support the development of a strategic compensation system to define and quantify teacher effectiveness. (Will support districts in moving towards Enhanced TIA.)
Wednesday, February 10	1:00-2:00 p.m.	The Data Validation Report – Part 2: Interpreting the Report	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Districts will interpret the results of the Data Validation report and develop next steps for continuous system improvement.
Wednesday, February 17	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Best Practices for Collecting, Reviewing, and Responding to Mid-Year Data	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Districts will understand the data collection process to identify gaps, analyze current teacher observation and student growth data, and preview data submission requirements.
Wednesday, February 17	1:00-2:00 p.m.	Leveraging Your Approved Local Designation System	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Districts will engage with resources for using the local designation system to improve teacher recruitment and retention.
Wednesday, February 24	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Application Year Data Series: Submission Process and Data Validation	Applying Districts	Districts will build an understanding of Data Validation and Data Submission to prepare for data capture year.
Wednesday, February 24	1:00-2:00 p.m.	Class Roster Winter Submission Office Hour	Districts Employing Designated Teachers	Office Hour for Class Roster Winter Submission for District TIA Leads and District PEIMS Coordinators

Wednesday, March 3	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Spending for TIA Participating Districts	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Annual spending plan guidance session for TIA participating districts that are receiving funds.
Wednesday, March 3	1:00-2:00 p.m.	Application Year Data Series: Who and How Will You Designate?	Applying Districts	Districts will understand the process for identifying designated teachers based on local criteria to prepare for the data capture year.
Wednesday, March 10	10:00-11:00 a.m.	TIA System Application Submission Office Hour	Applying Districts	This office hour session will provide districts with dedicated time to ask questions and receive support related to the TIA system application submission process.
Wednesday, March 24	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Next Steps for Approved Districts: TIA Annual Evaluation Survey	Fully Approved Districts	Districts will understand timelines and logistics for completing the TIA Annual Evaluation Survey.
Wednesday, April 7	10:00-11:00 a.m.	TIA System Application Submission Office Hour	Applying Districts	This office hour session will provide districts with dedicated time to ask questions and receive support related to the TIA system application submission process.
Wednesday, April 28	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Verifying and Confirming Allotments: Office Hour	Districts Employing Designated Teachers	Office hours for accessing, verifying, and confirming TIA data through SCOMS.
Wednesday, June 2	10:00-11:00 a.m.	District Resubmission Office Hour: Weighting & Student Growth Tabs	Submitted 2027 TIA Application Districts	This session will provide districts with an opportunity to review common errors identified during Round 1 application scoring, clarify areas of misunderstanding, and provide guidance to address feedback to achieve full readiness after resubmission.
Wednesday, June 2	11:30-12:30 p.m.	District Resubmission Office Hour: Teacher Observation & Spending Tabs	Submitted 2027 TIA Application Districts	This session will provide districts with an opportunity to review common errors identified during Round 1 application scoring, clarify areas of misunderstanding, and provide guidance to address feedback to achieve full readiness after resubmission.

Wednesday, June 2	1:00-2:00 p.m.	District Resubmission Office Hour: Enhanced TIA Tab	Submitted 2027 Enhanced TIA Application Districts	This session will provide districts with an opportunity to review common errors identified during Round 1 application scoring, clarify areas of misunderstanding, and provide guidance to address feedback to achieve full readiness after resubmission.
Wednesday, June 9	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Next Steps for Approved Districts: Annual Program Submission Requirements and Best Practices	Fully Approved Districts	Districts will receive information about the Annual Program Submission.
Wednesday, June 23	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Best Practices for Identifying and Responding to End-of-Year Skew and Correlation	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Districts will review key steps in the data analysis process to determine root cause and review best practices for responding to EOY teacher observation and student growth data.
Wednesday, July 14	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Preparing for Data Validation: Determining Designations	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Districts will examine teacher performance data, local performance standards, and system weights to assess and finalize designation decisions using the TIA Designation Determination Tool.
Wednesday, July 21	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Preparing for Data Validation: Data Submission and Validation	Application Accepted Districts Fully Approved Districts	Districts will learn what is evaluated during data validation and how to prepare for data submission.
Wednesday, July 21	1:00-2:00 p.m.	TIA Annual Evaluation Survey Review	Fully Approved Districts	Districts will review the TIA Annual Evaluation Survey Results format and discuss next steps.