

Distinguished Teacher Review

When Am I Required to Submit a DTR Application?

For teachers who maintain DTR eligibility, DTR points will carryover for two years only. After DTR points have been applied to teachers' TEI Scorecards for three consecutive years, teachers must undergo DTR again to earn eligibility. Please see below for supporting information:

Application Year	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027	2027-2028	2028-2029	2029-2030
2023-2024	Applied (1)	Optional Carryover (2)	Optional Carryover (3)	Application Required			
2024-2025		Applied (1)	Optional Carryover (2)	Optional Carryover (3)	Application Required		
2025-2026			Applied (1)	Optional Carryover (2)	Optional Carryover (3)	Application Required	
2026-2027				Applied (1)	Optional Carryover (2)	Optional Carryover (3)	Application Required

Newly DTR-Eligible teachers (i.e., teachers with an Effectiveness Level of Proficient 1 or below) must submit a DTR Application to be eligible to earn a Distinguished Effectiveness Level.

- After DTR points have been applied to teachers' Scorecards for three consecutive years, teachers must undergo DTR to earn DTR points. For example, if a teacher submits a DTR Application in 2026-2027, the teacher will not be required to apply again until the 2029-2030 school year.
- Teachers will receive DTR points based on their most recently submitted DTR Application, even if points are less than those earned on a previous DTR Application. Teachers are advised to consult with their primary evaluator prior to submitting a DTR Application.
- There is no action required to utilize DTR carryover points. Do not submit a 2026-2027 DTR Application if you would like to utilize eligible DTR carryover points.

2026-2027 DTR Application Submission Dates

- For teachers with 2025-2026 TEI data, the deadline to submit a DTR Application is Thursday, November 5, 2026 by noon.
- For teachers with no 2025-2026 TEI data (i.e., new to Dallas ISD, received a Scorecard indicating "No Rating/No Level," or did not receive a Scorecard), the deadline to submit a DTR Application is Thursday, March 4, 2027 by noon.

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To contact a member of our team, email us at tei@dallasisd.org or call at 972-749-5712.

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How do I know if I must re-apply for DTR in Round 1 this year?

Footnote	Application Required?
DTR points from two years ago have been carried over two times and are expired. If eligible for DTR, the teacher must submit a DTR Application in the current year to again earn DTR points.	<u>Yes.</u> This teacher's last application was in 2023-2024, and the teacher <u>MUST</u> submit a DTR application during the Round 1 window.
DTR points have been carried over one time; the maximum is two times.	<u>No.</u> The teacher may take no action and automatically carry over points from the 2025-2026 TEI Scorecard.
No DTR Footnotes.	<u>No.</u> The teacher may take no action and automatically carry over points from the 2025-2026 TEI Scorecard.

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