

CES Teacher Certification Pre-Service Coursework Calendar 2026-2027

Pre-Service Coursework Calendar	
Month	
Districts	HCDE, Goose Creek, Channelview, Cy-Fair ISD, Wednesdays
August	8/3– Channelview, Goose Creek, CyFair teachers begin district and campus in-service 8/12 – Goose Creek, Channelview First Day of Instruction 8/13 - CyFair ISD First Day of Instruction 8/19 – CES Coursework, Day 1 Classroom Management, Culture and Organization, Community of Learners (101, 110, 114, 115, 122) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Submit TEA Learn Certificate Texas Behavior Support Initiative (TBSI) 8/24- HCDE First Day of Instruction 8/26 – CES Content & Methodology Day (119) Focus on Core Content Exams Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates
September	CES Field Based Experience Monthly Focus- Special Populations, Candidate goal of 10 hours - Lead: Shannon FOCUS: Student Support Strategies, Differentiation, and Instructional Planning. Candidates will submit observations here: CES Field Based Experiences (FBEs) Form 9/2 – CES Coursework, Day 2 Special Populations – Legal and Ethical Guidelines, Child Find, Dyslexia (106, 118) Legal and Ethical Guidelines – Knowledge of Learners Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology, TEA Learn IEPs and Instruction Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology, TEA Learn Updated Child Find Duty - Everyone's Responsibility 26-27 - Child Find Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology, TEA Learn Texas Dyslexia Academy 1: Dyslexia Foundations 26-27 - Texas SPED Support 9/9 – CES Coursework, Day 3 Special Populations – Curricular Knowledge and Instructional Practices (106) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates 9/16- CES Coursework, Day 4 Instructional Practices: Small Group Instruction (103, 112) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates

	9/23 – CES Coursework, Day 5 Special Populations (106, 105, 109, 117) – Assessment, Data Driven Decision-Making, and Program Planning Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates 9/30- CES Coursework, Day 6 Special Populations – Professional Collaboration, Learning and Responsibilities, Community of Learners (106, 110, 111, 115, 117) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates 9/30- Deadline: 10 total hours of active Field Based Experiences completed and logged on Field Based Experience form for progress monitoring
October	CES Field Based Experience Monthly Focus- Differentiation, Classroom Management, Small Group, Candidate goal of 15 total hours- Lead: Talia FOCUS: Differentiation, Classroom Management Strategies, Small Group Instruction. Candidates will submit observations here: CES Field Based Experiences (FBEs) Form 10/7 – CES Content & Methodology Day Special Populations- Instructional Strategies and Constructive Response, EC-6 Math, Science, Social Studies, Math 7-12 (119, 106) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Oct. 12-16 – FALL BREAK- candidates can take secure practice exam or state certification exam (SPED 186, Core Content Exam) 10/21 – CES Content & Methodology Day Secure Practice Test (119) <i>Data Reviewed with Advisor</i> Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates 10/28 – CES Coursework, Day 7 Instructional Planning: Differentiation, Data Driven Decision Instruction (105, 109, 117) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates - Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology: TEA Learn Data-Based Individualization within MTSS - Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology: TEA Learn: Collaborative and Flexible Groups - Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology: TEA Learn: Making Tiered Decisions 10/30 Deadline: 15 total hours of Field Based Experiences completed and logged on Field Based Experience form for progress monitoring.
November	CES Field Based Experience Monthly Focus- Instructional Planning, Small Group, 1:1 Student Support, Candidate goal of 25 hours- Lead: Robin FOCUS: Instructional Planning strategies, Small-group, and 1:1 Student Support. Candidates will submit observations here: CES Field Based Experiences (FBEs) Form 11/4 – CES Coursework, Day 8 Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL: Science of Teaching Reading (107) Competencies 1-3 Math 7-12 Candidates: Secondary Reading (108)

	11/11 – CES Coursework, Day 9 Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL: Science of Teaching Reading (107) Competencies 4-5 Math 7-12 Candidates: Secondary Reading (108) 11/18 – CES Coursework, Day 10 Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL: Science of Teaching Reading (107) Competencies 6-8 11/20- Deadline: 25 total hours of Field Based Experiences completed and logged on Field Based Experience form for progress monitoring Nov. 23-27 – THANKSGIVING BREAK
December	December 2-12, 2025- District/Campus STAAR/EOC Testing 12/2 – CES Coursework, Day 11 Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL: Science of Teaching Reading (107) Competencies 9-10 12/9 – CES Coursework, Day 12 Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL: Science of Teaching Reading Constructed Response and Instructional Practices (103, 107) - Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology: Literacy and Math Inclusive Supports - Literacy for All 24-25 - Inclusion in Texas Network - Math for All 24-25 - Inclusion in Texas Network 12/16- CES Flex Day CES Staff will communicate topic or need Dec. 22-Jan. 2 – WINTER BREAK
January	CES Field Based Experience Monthly Focus- Coteaching and Instructional Strategies, Candidate goal of 40 hours- Lead: Johanna FOCUS: Instructional Planning strategies, Small Group, and 1:1 Student Support. Candidates will submit observations here: <u>CES Field Based Experiences (FBEs) Form</u> 1/6 – Spring and CyFair ISD teachers report to work for PD Day 1/6 – First Day of Instruction for Spring and CyFair ISD 1/6 – CES Coursework, Day 13 Classroom Management – Differentiation, Community of Learners (101, 104, 110, 114, 115) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology: <u>TEA Learn Collaborative Instruction</u> Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology: <u>TEA Learn Flexible Grouping</u>

	Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology: TEA Learn Structured Play 1/13 – CES Content & Methodology Day (119) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates STR, Secure Practice Test 1/20- CES Coursework, Day 14 (116, 120) Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Digital Literacy, School Safety 1/27 – No Coursework Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Candidates should complete Field Based Experience Hours this week. 1/30- Deadline: 40 total hours of Field Based Experiences completed and logged on Field Based Experience form for progress monitoring Note: TELPAS testing occurs this month.
February	CES Field Based Experience Monthly Focus- Whole Group Teaching and Co-Teaching, Candidate goal of 50 hours- Lead: Terae FOCUS: Whole Group Teaching and Co-Teaching. Candidates will submit observations here: CES Field Based Experiences (FBEs) Form 2/3 – CES Coursework, Day 15 Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Youth Mental Health First Aid (114, 120, 121) 2/10 – CES Coursework, Day 16 Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Professional Practices, Code of Ethics, Communicating with Students, Families, Colleagues, and Community Members (102, 111, 113, 115, 117) Submit TEA Learn Certificate in Schoology, TEA Learn: TEA Learn: Building Relationships with Families 2/17- CES Flex Day* Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Secure Practice Exam or CES Content & Methodology Day (119) <i>CES Staff will communicate topic or need</i> 2/24 – CES Flex Day* Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Secure Practice Exam or CES Content & Methodology Day (119) <i>CES Staff will communicate topic or need</i>

	2/26- Deadline: 50 total hours of Field Based Experiences completed and logged on Field Based Experience form for progress monitoring.
March	All Field Based Experience should be completed. Candidates will submit observations here: CES Field Based Experiences (FBEs) Form 3/3 – CES Flex Day* Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Secure Practice Exam, CES Content & Methodology Day (119) PRE-SERVICE CLOSE OUT 3/5- Submit all field based experience hours (50 hours total) Mar. 8-12 – HCDE, Goose Creek, Channelview, CyFair ISD SPRING BREAK Mar. 15-19 – Spring ISD SPRING BREAK 3/24 – CES Flex Day Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates CES Staff will communicate topic or need 3/31- No Coursework Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates Candidates should finalize Field Based Experience Hours this week.
April	Note: EOC and STAAR Testing this month 4/7 – CES Flex Day Core E-6, STR, SPED EC-12, ESL, Math 7-12 Candidates CES Staff will communicate topic or need April 5-30, 2026 – STAAR / EOC testing
May	Office Hours: Content, STR, and supplemental exam support (as needed)
June	- Summer Intensive for new candidates - June 7-24, 2027

*CES **Flex Day** = Coursework make-up days, Secure Practice Exam Re-take days, Exam support days, and/or Inclement weather make-up days. TBD by CES.*
Coursework topics may be adjusted to accommodate candidate needs.