

To the Administrator Addressed

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DATE:	February 28, 2019
SUBJECT:	Principal and Teacher Surveys to Evaluate Texas Educator
	Preparation Programs
CATEGORY:	Accountability System for Educator Preparation Programs
NEXT STEPS:	Principals of first-year teachers and all first-year teachers complete
	surveys

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) will be collecting data regarding the performance of first-year teachers to help assess the effectiveness of educator preparation programs (EPPs) in preparing first-year teachers to succeed in the classroom.

Current State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) rules require each principal who has first-year teachers on his or her campus to complete a survey about the preparation of those first-year teachers. Additionally, SBEC rules require all teachers to complete a survey about their preparation at the end of the first year of teaching on a standard teaching certificate. The information provided will assist in improving the preparation of teacher candidates through EPPs.

Prior to the distribution of the surveys, principals and teachers will have access to training modules posted on the TEA website about the surveys. Additional information regarding the survey will be emailed to human resources personnel and principals using email addresses in the Texas Education Directory (AskTED). Please confirm with your TED administrator that your district and campus TED contact information has been updated.

Teachers will receive a link to the Teacher Survey via email sent to the email address listed on the Educator Certification Online System (ECOS). Please remind all early career teachers to update their email address in their ECOS accounts.

Principal Survey 2019:

The Principal Surveys for 2019 are located in the Educator Certification Online System (ECOS). Principals will complete a principal survey for each first-year teacher on their campus and will have the opportunity to earn Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits upon completion of each survey. The results from this survey are used for EPP accountability.

Key Dates for Principal Survey data collection:

- Wednesday, March 20, 2019 Human Resources personnel access ECOS for principal roster verification
- Wednesday, April 3, 2019 Principals access surveys
- Monday, June 17, 2019 Final date to submit principal surveys

Questions regarding the principal survey can be submitted to: principalsurvey@tea.texas.gov

Teacher Survey 2019:

A link to the Teacher Surveys for 2019 will be sent via email to eligible teachers. Teachers will complete this mandatory survey and earn CPE credits upon completion of the survey.

Key Dates for Teacher Survey data collection:

- Wednesday, April 3, 2019 Teachers receive link via email
- Monday, June 17, 2019 Final date to submit teacher survey

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