DATE:	August 12, 2021
SUBJECT:	TCLAS Application Closing on 8/20 for LEAs
CATEGORY:	Deadline Reminder and Additional Resources for Grant Application
NEXT STEPS:	Share with instructional and grant staff

The Texas COVID Learning Acceleration Supports (TCLAS) application closes on Friday, August 20, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. CT. The TCLAS application is a one-stop-shop application for Texas local educational agencies (LEAs) to access over $1.3 billion in state discretionary ESSER funding and over 20 TEA initiatives.

To support LEAs interested in submitting an application, TEA has made available the following resources:

1. **Guidance Document (Updated)**: A simplified version of the original guidance document that explains all that is available through TCLAS
2. **TCLAS FAQs**: One place with answers to common questions from TCLAS webinars and the TCLAS inbox about the general application process and specific decision points
3. **TCLAS Cheat Sheet**: A simple spreadsheet categorizing all of the choices available to Texas LEAs through TCLAS
4. **Printer-friendly Application**: A PDF version of the Qualtrics-based TCLAS application that can be printed or used as a planning tool as districts complete their application
5. **Interactive Timeline Resource**: Allows districts to see when, over the next few school years, they can receive various TCLAS supports
6. **TCLAS State Approved Vendor List**: Approved vendors available to support LEAs participating in each of the TCLAS Decision Points
7. **TCLAS Office Hours**: Chat directly with the TEA teams leading each TCLAS Decision Point to get questions answered and more information
   a. Last office hours opportunity is on August, 18th at 4:00 p.m. CT at this Zoom link.

LEAs may visit tea.texas.gov/tclas for additional resources and to see the TCLAS application and should reach out to tclas@tea.texas.gov with questions.