

## TEXAS EDUCATION FREEDOM ACCOUNTS

*Freedom to learn your way.*

### **What is a Texas Education Freedom Account?**

A Texas Education Freedom Account is a program of educational savings accounts funded by the Texas Legislature through the State Comptroller's Office. The Texas Legislature passed the school choice bill (SB 2) in the 2025 legislative session, giving eligible Texas students the opportunity to apply for and utilize an EFA funded by the state for tuition and educational resources at approved private schools and vendors.

### **How much money will each student be awarded?**

- Student EFA without disability enrolled in eligible school: \$10,500 – \$12,000 (still awaiting final number from TEA)
- Up to \$30,000 for child with disability (based on what local Independent School District (ISD) would spend on that disability for that student)
- \$2,000 per homeschooled student

### **How many students will be granted EFAs for the 2026–2027 school year?**

Approximately 60,000 to 70,000 (\$1 Billion in funding for first year of program)

### **Is my student eligible for an EFA?**

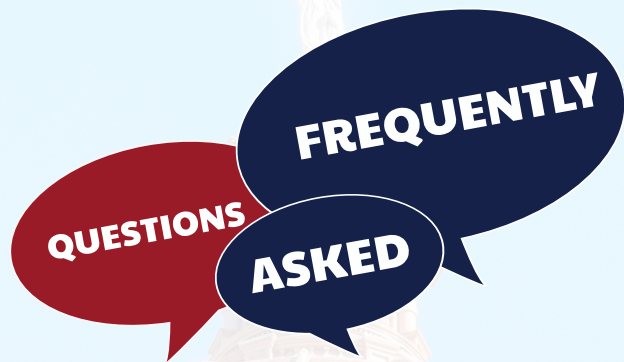
EFAs are for all Texas students Kindergarten through 12th grade, and PreK students who qualify for free PreK through local Independent School District.

### **When and how do we apply?**

Approximately February – March 2026 the student applications will open on Odyssey (*a website that will handle applications, the marketplace and invoicing for schools and services—similar to FACTS that SCA currently uses to manage applications and student information*).

The application is estimated to take parents 5–10 mins to apply. Most information (tax returns, etc.) will be accessible through the parent's SSN.





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### **Why should I apply?**

Because your student might get funding! They'll either 1) Be awarded an EFA or 2) be given a waitlist priority placement number

Also, the more demand (higher the number of applications) the more the Texas State Comptroller is required to request for funding in next legislative session. *More Applications = More Future Funding!*

### **When Will I be notified if I'm awarded an EFA?**

We are not sure yet on the timeline for EFA awards. The application process should close in March, and the first disbursement will be July 1, 2026 so awards will be communicated some time in between those two dates.

### **Will this influx of state money impact my student's curriculum/the school environment at Summit Christian Academy?**

Autonomy Statement from [Texas Private Schools Association](#): An education service provider or vendor who receives EFA money is not a recipient of federal financial assistance and may not be considered a state actor. The State may not impose limits or requirements contrary to religious or institutional values of a provider, vendor or participant regarding curriculum, admissions practices, operations, standards, etc.

For more information, please access the [Texas Education Freedom Accounts](#) section of the Texas Comptroller website.

