

## Texas Private School Survey

### Introduction

Thank you very much for participating in this brief school survey. We value your responses and input.

Successful completion of all items will automatically enter your school in a random drawing. One selected school will win a \$1,000 gift card. Five randomly selected schools will each win a \$200 gift card. Your responses will remain confidential.

There will be about 15 items for you to answer regarding your school, and depending on the availability of information, this survey should take about 10 to 15 minutes.

We are grateful for your time and assistance. Thank you!

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Please contact Lisette and/or Laura if you have any questions regarding the survey.

## Texas Private School Survey

### Basic Information

**Please provide your school's name and contact information.**

School Name

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Street Address1

Street Address2

Town/City

County

ZIP Code

Phone

Web Site Address

## Texas Private School Survey

### Enrollment and Capacity Information

**On the next page, please enter your enrollment and capacity, by grade range (PK, K, 1–5, 6–8, 9–12), for the 2015–16 school year.**

**We define "capacity" as the total number of student seats in your school, including *both* currently occupied *and* currently vacant seats.**

Please respond for all levels that apply.

NOTE: Capacity will be greater than or equal to enrollment for the school.

## Texas Private School Survey

### Enrollment and Capacity Information

10% completed so far...

.....**Total Enrolled**.....

Prekindergarten

Kindergarten

Elementary School (1–5)

Middle School (6–8)

High School (9–12)

Ungraded

**.....Total Capacity.....**

Prekindergarten

Kindergarten

Elementary School (1-5)

Middle School (6-8)

High School (9-12)

Ungraded

**Comments?**

## Texas Private School Survey

### School Tuition and Fees

14% completed so far...

**For this school year, what is the annual average tuition and fees at your school (not including tuition assistance or discounts)? Please respond for all levels that apply.**

**(feel free to round to nearest \$100)**

Prekindergarten

Kindergarten

Elementary School (1–5)

Middle School (6–8)

High School (9–12)

**Comments?**

## Texas Private School Survey

### School Fees

19% completed so far...

**Some private schools separate certain fees from the tuition costs.  
If your school does so, generally how much is charged annually  
for each of the following fee categories?**

Registration/Application

Textbooks

Technology

Transportation

Uniforms

Other (please specify category)

**Comments?**

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### Financial Subsidies

24% completed so far...

**Many schools subsidize tuition amounts with church and or foundation funds. What is the *total annual amount* of church or foundation funds provided to your school this school year?**

**For this school year, what is the *annual average amount* of subsidy per student at your school?**

**(feel free to round to nearest \$100)**

**Comments?**

## Texas Private School Survey

### Financial Aid

29% completed so far...

**For this school year, what is the annual average amount of tuition assistance (including discounts) per student at your school?**

**(feel free to round to nearest \$100)**

**Approximately what percentage (%) of your school's students receive some form of financial assistance, including discounts?**

**(if necessary, feel free to round to nearest 5% or 10%)**

**Comments?**

## Texas Private School Survey

### Tax-Credit Scholarships

33% completed so far...

**How familiar are you with tax-credit scholarships?**

- Very Familiar
- Somewhat Familiar
- Not Too Familiar
- Not At All Familiar

**Comments?**

## Texas Private School Survey

### Tax-Credit Scholarships

38% completed so far...

**Some states give tax credits to businesses if they contribute money to nonprofit organizations that distribute K–12 private school scholarships. A nonprofit scholarship organization awards those scholarships to qualifying children who wish to enroll in private school, including religious and non-religious options, and the child then uses that scholarship to pay for a portion or all of his/her private education.**

**Depending on regulations and what would be required of schools, would your school be interested in participating in this kind of "tax-credit scholarship" program? Your response is not binding. Please indicate one:**

- Yes
- Probably Yes
- Maybe
- Probably Not
- No

**Why or Why Not? (optional)**



## Texas Private School Survey

### Tax-Credit Scholarships for Students with Financial and/or Academic Need

43% completed so far...

**Some states give tax credits to businesses if they contribute money to nonprofit organizations that distribute K–12 private school scholarships to students with financial and/or academic need. A nonprofit scholarship organization awards those scholarships to qualifying children with financial and/or academic need who wish to enroll in private school, including religious and non-religious options, and the child then uses that scholarship to pay for a portion or all of his/her private education.**

**Depending on regulations and what would be required of schools, would your school be interested in participating in this kind of "tax-credit scholarship" program? Your response is not binding. Please indicate one:**

- Yes
- Probably Yes
- Maybe
- Probably Not
- No

**Why or Why Not? (optional)**



## Texas Private School Survey

### Tax-Credit Scholarships for Students with Special Needs

48% completed so far...

**The State of Texas may consider a "school choice" proposal to establish a tax-credit scholarship program for students with special needs\*.**

**(To review the explanation of tax-credit scholarships, feel free to go back to the previous question screens).**

**Depending on regulations and what would be required of schools, would your school be interested in participating in a tax-credit scholarship program for students with special needs\*? Your response is not binding. Please indicate one:**

- Yes
- Probably Yes
- Maybe
- Probably Not
- No

\*Students within this population may have an Individualized Education Program (IEP), 504 plan, and/or: autism, deaf-blindness, developmental delay, hearing impairment, intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, serious emotional disturbance, specific learning disability, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment, or other health impairments.

**Why or Why Not? (optional)**



## Texas Private School Survey

### Education Savings Accounts

52% completed so far...

**How familiar are you with education savings accounts (ESAs)\* for K–12 education?**

- Very Familiar
- Somewhat Familiar
- Not Too Familiar
- Not At All Familiar

\*ESAs for K–12 education operate differently than college savings accounts, such as a Coverdell Account or a 529 Plan.

**Comments?**

## Texas Private School Survey

### Education Savings Accounts

57% completed so far...

**Some states allow parents to take their child out of a public district or charter school and receive a payment into a government-authorized "education savings account" - often called an "ESA" - with restricted, but multiple uses. Parents can then use these funds to pay for private school tuition and fees, online learning programs, private tutoring, community college costs, and other higher education expenses, among others.**

**The State of Texas may consider a "school choice" proposal to establish ESAs, allowing parents to send their child to the school or education provider of their choice, whether publicly or privately operated – including religious and non-religious options.**

**Depending on regulations and what would be required of schools, would your school be interested in participating in a school choice program where the state funds ESAs? Your response is not binding. Please indicate one:**

- Yes
- Probably Yes
- Maybe
- Probably Not
- No

**Why or Why Not? (optional)**

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## Texas Private School Survey

### Education Savings Accounts for Students with Special Needs

62% completed so far...

**The State of Texas may consider a "school choice" proposal to establish ESAs for students with special needs\***.

**(To review the definition and explanation of ESAs, feel free to go back to the previous question screen).**

**Depending on regulations and what would be required of schools, would your school be interested in participating in a school choice program where the state funds ESAs for students with special needs\*? Your response is not binding. Please indicate one:**

- Yes
- Probably Yes
- Maybe
- Probably Not
- No

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**Why or Why Not? (optional)**



## Texas Private School Survey

### Rules and Regulations

67% completed so far...

**What program rules or regulations would concern your school the most? Please rate your concern for regulation in each of the following areas.**

**(not all categories need to be rated)**

	Very Low	Somewhat Low	Moderate	Somewhat High	Very High
Accommodations for Students with Special Needs	<input type="radio"/>				
Building Safety & Security	<input type="radio"/>				
Curriculum & Instruction	<input type="radio"/>				
Financial Reporting & Disclosure	<input type="radio"/>				
Paperwork & Reporting	<input type="radio"/>				
School Admissions & Enrollment Guidelines	<input type="radio"/>				
School Eligibility for Program (e.g. register with state)	<input type="radio"/>				
Student Eligibility for Program (e.g. income limit)	<input type="radio"/>				
Teacher/Staff Certification & Licensure	<input type="radio"/>				
Testing & Accountability	<input type="radio"/>				
Tuition & Fees	<input type="radio"/>				
Other (please describe below)	<input type="radio"/>				

**Other area:**



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### Standardized Assessments/Testing

71% completed so far...

**Does your school administer some type of norm-referenced assessment (i.e. standardized test) to measure student academic performance?**

- Yes
- No

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### Standardized Assessments/Testing

76% completed so far...

**This school year, will you be administering the state assessment (STAAR), or some other national norm-referenced test?**

**Please check all that apply.**

- State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR)
- Other (please specify below, separating multiple tests with a comma):

**Comments?**

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### Standardized Assessments/Testing

81% completed so far...

**Which grade levels will be administered these tests?**

**Please select all that apply.**

KG 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

State of Texas  
Assessments of  
Academic  
Readiness  
(STAAR)

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x

<input type="checkbox"/>												
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Other (please  
specify below,  
separating  
multiple tests  
with a comma):

<input type="checkbox"/>												
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**Please elaborate, if needed:**

## Texas Private School Survey

### Special Education

86% completed so far...

**Does your school serve students who are considered as having special needs\*?**

- Yes
- No

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**Comments?**

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### Special Education

90% completed so far...

**Would you serve students with special needs\* if they applied to your school?**

- Yes
- Probably Yes
- Maybe
- Probably Not
- No

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**Why or Why Not? (optional)**

## Texas Private School Survey

### Special Education

90% completed so far...

**Approximately what percentage (%) of your school's students are considered as having one of the following special needs?**

**(if necessary, feel free to round to the nearest percentage point)**

504 Plan

Autism

Developmental  
Delay

Specific  
Learning  
Disability

Speech or  
Language  
Impairment

Other special  
need(s)\*

**Would you serve additional students with special needs if they applied to your school?**

- Yes
- Probably Yes
- Maybe
- Probably Not
- No

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**Please describe your school's special needs services:**

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### Final Comments?

95% completed so far...

**We are close to finishing this survey.**

**Please provide us with any more details of your school's interests, priorities, or concerns regarding possible participation in a school choice program.**

**If you have nothing more to share at this time, please go to the next page to complete the survey.**

## Texas Private School Survey

### Survey Completed!

**Thank you! We greatly appreciate your time to complete this survey.**

**In order to enter your school in the random drawing for a \$1,000 or \$200 gift card, please provide us with your brief contact information.**

Your Full Name

Job Title

Email Address

Daytime Phone