

Program Guidelines

2023-2025 Safety and Facilities Enhancement (SAFE) Grant, Cycle 1

An Informal Discretionary Competitive (IDC) Grant

Program Needs Assessment Due Date

11:59 p.m. Central Time, September 21, 2023

Program Authority

Senate Bill 30, 8th Legislature, Section 4.02

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Reference to the General and Fiscal Guidelines

The Program Guidelines provide information specifically relevant to this grant program. The [General and Fiscal Guidelines](#) provide information relevant to all TEA grant programs. Throughout the Program Guidelines, crossreferences are given to applicable sections of the [General and Fiscal Guidelines](#). It is critical that you review all referenced sections of [General and Fiscal Guidelines](#) when preparing your application. Although this grant is an Informal Discretionary Competitive (IDC) grant, references to Letter of Interest (LOI) grants generally apply unless stated differently in program guidelines.

Overview of the Grant Process

The following steps provide a high

Applicant Assistance

School Safety Program Contact

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Grant Program Contact

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Nov. 20, 2023	Anticipated Deadline for submitting the eGrants Funding Application
Dec., 2023	Beginning date of grant (if selected for funding) See General and Fiscal Guidelines , Grant Period
May, 2025	Final date to submit an amendment (if selected for funding)
July, 2025	Ending date of grant (if selected for funding) See General and Fiscal Guidelines , Grant Period

For all dates related to the grant, including reporting dates, see [TEA Grant Opportunities](#) page. If a due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the date will be on the following business day. All dates except the grant ending date may vary slightly as conditions require.

Grant at a Glance

Supplement, Not Supplant



- g. increasing the height of preexisting fence to meet the height requirement of the safety standards rule; and
 - h. Modification of other preexisting fencing components to bring fence up to standard
- 2. Exterior Doors
 - a. Purchasing of door reinforcement components:
 - b. Door;
 - c. Mechanical door auto closer;
 - d. Mechanical door lock;
 - e. Emergency egress push bar;
 - f. Door frame;
 - g. Center mullion and
 - h. Master key rekeying on mechanical doors
- 3. Glass Exterior Doors Not Within a Secured Area
 - a. Purchase of forced entry resistant film and installation materials.
- 4. Ground Level Exterior Windows
 - a. For windows adjacent to or near an exterior door to become compliant:
 - b. Purchase of forced entry resistant film and installation materials;
 - c. In the case that the window frame itself is not removable and the frame and window must be upgraded to comply with the minimum safety standards:
 - d. Purchase of forced entry window;
 - e. Window frame and installation materials.
- 5. Silent Panic Alert Technology
 - a. Purchase and installation of silent panic alert technology.
 - b. Maintenance/service contracts for silent panic alert technology systems.

