

College Access Champions Timeline

HB3 requires HS seniors to complete a financial aid application or opt out as a graduation requirement beginning in 2021 2022	
2021-2022 school year	<p>Begin tracking financial aid application completion information in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • monitor and document whether the graduation requirement has been met • indicate the date the graduation requirement was met on the • students' high school transcript TREx data element • capture the method by which the student met the requirement • (completed an application or opted out) for future reporting TREx data element
August/September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create your school- or campus-based FAFSA/TASFA team (Champions committee). • Submit your Champions contact name to Dr. Caviel-Watson at (provide a google form) • Create in-class interventions • Develop a partnership plan with local postsecondary institutions. <p>(create hyperlinks for resources)</p>
August - March	Attend Informational meetings and workshops with LEARN, Inc and Texas Oncourse
October – April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use student-level and/or school-level data. • Implement in-class interventions. • Host FAFSA-only events. • Assign appointment times. • Frequently monitor data. • Implement a partnership plan with LEARN and local postsecondary institutions.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertise a FAFSA/TASFA phone bank. • Implement the monthly marketing plan (add a google link)
October 1 of each year	FAFSA and TASFA applications become available on October 1 of each year. Students are encouraged to submit their financial aid applications as soon as possible. Encourage students to check with their institution of higher education (IHE) of choice to ensure they meet the IHE financial aid priority deadline
April	Consider the students that meet the criteria to opt-out and complete the opt-out forms with them
May/June	Transcripts for the Class of 2022 include a "Date Met" field for the financial aid application TReX data element
2022- 2023 school year	Districts report graduate data for the Class of 2022, including the Financial Aid Application Indicator Fall PEIMS submission

FAFSA/TASFA Guide/Procedure:

- October – March campuses will focus on FAFSA/TASFA completion for all qualified students
- April - Consider the students that meet the criteria to opt-out
 - o Students who do not meet the criterion for FAFSA or TASFA financial aid application qualifications
 - o Research others