

Chapter 102. Educational Programs

Subchapter DD. Commissioner's Rules Concerning the Texas Accelerated Science Achievement Program Grant

§102.1041. Texas Accelerated Science Achievement Program Grant.

- (a) The intent and purpose of the Texas Accelerated Science Achievement Program (Texas ASAP) is to establish and implement intensive after-school and summer school programs designed to increase Grade 10 and 11 student achievement on the science portion of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS). Through intervention programs that will serve students in Grades 9-12, the Texas ASAP will target high schools with low student performance on the Grade 10 and 11 science TAKS examinations.
- (b) Funds shall be distributed by the commissioner of education, on a competitive grant basis, to be used by school districts for the implementation of scientific, research-based science programs designed to improve the performance of students in science, including programs designed to address the gender gap in performance. Prior to providing a program, in accordance with the Texas Education Code, §29.089, and the General Appropriations Act, House Bill 1, Article III, Rider 45, 78th Texas Legislature, 2003, each school district receiving a grant must:
 - (1) document its locally-adopted board of trustees policy for:
 - (A) determining student eligibility for participating in the program that:
 - (i) prescribes the grade level or course a student must be enrolled in to be eligible; and
 - (ii) provides for considering teacher recommendations in determining eligibility;
 - (B) ensuring that parents of or persons standing in parental relation to eligible students are

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