



The Purple Star Campus Designation (PSCD) recognizes Texas district and open-enrollment school campuses that show their support and commitment to meeting the unique needs of military-connected students and their families. Below are answers to common questions TEA receives during the application period to support local education agencies (LEAs) as they work on their Purple Star applications.

For more information on the application process, established criteria, and timeline, please visit [Texas Education Agency Purple Star Campus Designation website](#). The current year's application window is posted.

Q1: Does the campus-based military liaison have to be an employee of the local school district?

A1: Yes. All campus-based military liaisons need to be an employee of the LEA. See the [Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 61, §61.1063](#).

Q2: Is it important to consult with my district webmaster to establish and regularly update the campus webpage for military families?

A2: Yes. Collaborating with the district webmaster ensures a systematic process for webpage maintenance, guaranteeing regular updates to the campus webpage for military families. PSCD campuses bear the responsibility of creating, sustaining, and tailoring information on the webpage for military families. Linking individual campus webpages to district-level webpages ensures coherence, accessibility, consistency, and accuracy in messaging across all webpages, benefiting both the PSCD and military-connected families.

Q3: When can I expect to know if our application has been approved to earn the Purple Star Campus Designation and what will I receive from TEA?

A3: The Purple Star Campus Designation is awarded annually in August. An announcement notification letter from the commissioner of the TEA is shared with the campus principal and superintendent. TEA also distributes a To the Administrator Addressed letter with a list of the campuses that earned the designation in August. Additionally, the campus will be acknowledged as a Purple Star campus in the searchable [TXSchools.gov](#) campus profile, further highlighting their commitment to supporting military-connected students and families.

Q4: What TEA Purple Star Campus resources are available to assist with completing my campus application?

A4: Resources including the application preview, self-assessment rubric, previously recorded application training videos, and copies of the presentation are available on [TEA's Purple Star Campus Designation website](#). TEA will be releasing a free comprehensive TEA Learn Purple Star Rise Course with numerous modules, tools, and training resources to support LEAs with earning and implementing the Purple Star Campus Designation.

Q5: How can the campus-based military liaison upload multiple photos or documents in the application?

A5: The Purple Star Campus Designation Application system requires the upload of evidence in the form of a PDF. TEA has added additional spaces in the application to upload documentation. In instances where more than one PDF file needs to be submitted, convert the file to a zip file to ensure there is appropriate storage space in the application. Campus-based liaisons are strongly encouraged to consult local district officials and LEA IT support for properly submitting evidence documents and artifacts.

Q6: Our campus has a student-led transitional program; however, the students did not host a newcomer social event this past school year. Can our campus still apply to earn the designation?

A6: Yes. Your campus can still apply to earn the designation. In the application, please include evidence of your campus transition activities and events. Please be sure your written narrative provides a thorough explanation of the evidence you have uploaded for this part of the application.

professional development, or can the campus-based military liaison partner with other organizations to deliver professional development to meet the criterion?

A7: No. The campus-based military liaison is responsible for coordinating professional development opportunities for campus staff members on issues related to military-connected students. The campus-based military liaison can choose to offer professional development opportunities themselves or use other partner organizations or other entities to meet this criterion.

Q8: Is it acceptable to provide a list of professional development training for the most current school year as proof of meeting the criterion?

A8: Yes. It is acceptable to provide a list of professional development training for the most current school year as proof of meeting the criterion.



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