

# 2024-2025 Stronger Connections Grant

Application Number: [REDACTED] | Date: [REDACTED]

Texas Education Agency

Application stamp-in date and time

Amendment Number

## 1 Applicant Information

NOGA ID

*TEA will only accept grant application documents by email, including cover letters.*

## 2 Certification and Incorporation

*TEA applications and amendments. Submit grant applications and amendments to:*

### 3. Shared Services Arrangements

~~Shared services arrangements (SSAs) are not permitted for this grant.~~

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**6. Measurable Progress (Cont.)**

**Second-Quarter Benchmark**

February-April: Advisory and Student Support Teams will meet monthly and review the following data:  
Baseline benchmark data (number of student referrals disaggregated by referral, type of need, type of support, level of support, length of support provided, student attendance, behavior referrals, removals from class, and discipline

[Redacted content]

**7. Project Evaluation and Modification**

[Redacted content]

CDN 161906

Vendor ID 1746000340

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Program Assurance

The following assurances apply to this grant program. In order to meet the requirements of the grant, the grantee must comply with these assurances.

Check each of the following boxes to indicate your compliance.

1. The applicant provides assurance that program funds will supplement (increase the level of activity) and not displace (replace) state mandates, State Board of Education rules, and activities previously conducted with state or local funds. The applicant provides assurance that state or local funds may not be decreased or diverted for other purposes merely because of

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9. Statutory/TEA Program Requirements

1. Describe how the LEA will identify the personnel that will participate in the established Student Support Program. [Redacted]

2. Describe how the LEA will ensure that campus leaders and staff are committed to the success of the Student Support Program.

La Vega ISD leadership (Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Executive Directors, and Principals) meet weekly. Monthly meetings will occur with campus principals and the Grant Coordinator to review grant progress and assistance needed or suggestions for implementation improvements.

[Redacted]

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9. Statutory /Program Requirements (Cont.)

3. Describe how the LEA will engage parents and families to solicit support for the program.

[Redacted]

4. Describe how the LEA will ensure that there is adequate staff to support the establishment and implementation of

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

**9. Statutory/Program Requirements (Cont.)**

5. Describe how each of the campuses will be supported by the grant program, if awarded, currently conduct

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

behavioral threat assessments and how the campus will incorporate current systems into the student support team structure.

Currently each campus participates in drills and threat assessment audits. The collaboration between La Vega ISD

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

and both Waco and Bellmead Police Departments ensure instinctive behaviors by staff and students in drill practices in preparation of potential life-threatening events. La Vega ISD is a leader in safety and security measures

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**9. Statutory/Program Requirements (Cont.)**

7. Describe how the LEA currently partners with the regional ESC to support improvement in student mental health, behavioral and emotional health, physical health and wellbeing, and improving academic outcomes for students.

La Vega ISD currently partners with the ESC 12 for multiple supports based on student needs. As a cooperating member of the counseling team, the district has received grief support from ESC 12 and neighboring counselors after suffering the death of students and educators throughout the past three years. LVISD partners with the ESC12 for Coordinated School Health services for campus nurses. LVISD partners with ESC 12 for support for the innovative staffing model Opportunity Culture. The ESC 12 is partnering with the district to provide Teachers as

[Redacted]

8. Describe how the LEA will use this grant program to supplement current work to improve services and supports

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

9. Enter the LEA Total Enrollment: 3,017

10. Enter the Regional Educational Service Center that serves the LEA: [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]



**10. Equitable Access and Participation**

Check the appropriate box below to indicate whether any barriers exist to equitable access and participation for any

[Redacted]

**11. PNP Equitable Services**

[Redacted]

groups that receive services funded by this grant.

The applicant assures that no barriers exist to equitable access and participation for any groups receiving

[Redacted]

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**12. Request for Grant Funds**

List all of the allowable grant-related activities for which you are requesting grant funds. Include the amounts budgeted for each activity. Group similar activities and costs together under the appropriate heading. During negotiation, you will be required to budget your planned expenditures on a separate attachment provided by TEA.

**Payroll Costs**

1. Extra Duty Pay	\$146,050
2.	
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5.	

**Professional and Contracted Services**

6. Required 6% of funds for technical assistance provided by the regional ESC	\$25,633
7. Required 10% of funds to the Texas Center for Student Supports	\$42,723
8. Non-employee stipends	\$12,500

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**Supplies and Materials**

9. General Supplies	
10. Tech software	
13.	

**Other Operating Costs**

15. Travel	\$124,500
16. Food for school related events	\$25,000
17.	

**Debt Services**

18.	0
19.	

**Capital Outlay**

20.	0
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Direct administrative costs: 0

Indirect administrative costs: \$24,183

**TOTAL GRANT AWARD REQUESTED: \$495,589**

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**Appendix I: Negotiation and Amendments**

Leave this section blank when completing the initial application for funding.

An amendment must be submitted when the program plan or budget is altered for the reasons described in the

