



Leadership

State Leadership:

Governor
Greg Abbott

Commissioner of Texas Education Agency (TEA)
Mike Morath

The TEA commissioner is appointed by the governor. The TEA Commissioner's Office provides leadership to schools, manages the state education agency, and provides coordination with the state legislature and other branches of state government as well as the U.S. Department of Education.

TEA Deputy Commissioners

Jennifer Alexander - Deputy Commissioner of Special Populations and Student Supports
Von Byer - General Counsel
Alejandro Delgado - Deputy Commissioner of Operations
Steve Lecholo - Deputy Commissioner of Governance
Kelvey Oeser - Deputy Commissioner of Educator Support
Melody Parrish - Deputy Commissioner of Technology
John Scott - Chief of School Safety and Security
Carla Steffen - Deputy Commissioner of Finance
Iris Tian - Deputy Commissioner of Analytics, Assessment, and Reporting
Shannon Trejo - Deputy Commissioner of School Programs

Serving directly under the commissioner of education, the 10 Deputy Commissioners of Education provide leadership to TEA.

State Board of Education (SBOE)

District 1 - Melissa N. Ortega - El Paso
District 2 - LJ Francis - Corpus Christi
District 3 - Marisa B. Perez-Diaz - San Antonio
District 4 - Staci Childs - Houston
District 5 - Rebecca Bell-Metereau - San Marcos
District 6 - Will Hickman - Houston
District 7 (Fort Bend County) - Julie Pickren - Pearland
District 8 - Audrey Young - Trinity
District 9 - Keven Ellis - Lufkin
District 10 - Tom Maynard - Florence
District 11 - Patricia Hardy - Fort Worth (Secretary)
District 12 - Pam Little - Fairview (Vice Chair)
District 13 - Leslie Recine - Pantego
District 14 - Evelyn Brooks - Frisco
District 15 - Aaron Kinsey - Midland (Chair)

SBOE is the policy-making body of the TEA. There are 15 state SBOE members who are elected by Texans to two or four-year terms of office, and the governor appoints the chair of the board from among the elected members.

SBOE sets policies and standards for Texas public schools. The primary responsibilities of the SBOE include:

- Setting curriculum standards
- Reviewing and adopting instructional materials
- Establishing graduation requirements
- Overseeing the Texas Permanent School Fund
- Appointing board members to military reservation and special school districts
- Providing final review of rules proposed by the State Board for Educator Certification
- Reviewing the commissioner's proposed award of new charter schools, with authority to veto a recommended applicant.

Impact on Decisions in Public School Districts and Charter Schools

The TEA, SBOE, and the State Board for Educator Certification guide and monitor activities and programs related to public education in Texas.



FBISD Board of Trustees and District Leadership:

