

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY  
NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS

# Professional Educators' Council

October 2, 2025

1:30-3:00

McKibben 131

And

Zoom



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# Stephen F. Austin State University

Educator Preparation Program

Challenging Minds, Changing Lives -  
One Lumberjack at a Time



# Welcome

- Dr. Hendricks -Welcome and PCOE updates
- Introductions/New Members
  - Nominations for 1 UG and 1 Grad member
- Dr. Sinclair -Approval of April 2025  
Summary Notes
- Dr. Nerren, Ed Studies Department Chair
  - Ed Studies Updates



# Assessment and Accountability





**Welcome**

**Caitlin Luna**

**Testing and Reporting Coordinator**



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# TEA & CAEP Updates

## Accountability System for Educator Preparation (ASEP) Annual Report

- Completed on 9/15/2025
- Thank you, Carrie Baker and Caitlin Luna!
  
- Results expected to be released in early November



# TEA & CAEP Updates

- House Bill 2, passed by the 89th Texas Legislature and signed into law in June 2025, established
  - The PREP Program Allotment to strengthen the quality of teacher recruitment, preparation, and mentorship across the state.
  - Testing and certification funds available for CTE and SPED



# TEA & CAEP Updates

- **Go To the HB2 Presentation PPT File (US PREP)**
- **TEA HB2 Implementation & PREP Program Allotment**
- <https://tea.texas.gov/about-tea/news-and-multimedia/correspondence/taa-letters/hb-2-implementation-preparing-and-retaining-educators-through-partnership-program-allotment>
- **LASO Grant Information**
- <https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safety-discipline/learning-acceleration-support-opportunities-laso>
- **See LASO Grant 1-pagers**



# TEA & CAEP Updates

## TEA New Teacher Standards

- <https://tea.texas.gov/about-tea/laws-and-rules/texas-administrative-code/19-tac-chapter-149>



# Candidate Data & Monitoring

SFA EPP Screening Instrument

**Thank you to Scorers!**

Susan Reily

Vicki Thomas

Lisa Bentley

Erica Dillard

Lori Harkness

Melissa Hulings

Haley Jameson

Nicole Letchworth

Jane Long

Claire Murphy

Chrissy Pigg

Sharon Rice

Candis Scallen

Sarah Straub

Mandy Seybold

Chrissy Cross

Jannah Nerren

Christina Sinclair



# PEC Curriculum Committee

Carrie Baker

Christina Sinclair

Lisa Stone

Claire Murphy (Secondary/All-Level)

Lindsey Kennon (SPED)

Beth Gound (MLGE)

Chrissy Cross (SEED/MAT)

Barbara Qualls (Non-Teacher)

Ronda McClain (EC-6)



# TEA & CAEP Updates

CAEP Accreditation Maintain or  
Discontinue Discussion



# TEA & CAEP Updates

**ISTE's AI for Tomorrow's Teachers**  
a free, 5-hour turnkey program to  
help pre-service teachers build  
foundational AI skills—responsibly.  
No experience needed English,  
Spanish & Arabic Certificate included

Video Clip

<https://x.com/ISTEofficial/status/1911862390582390851>



## Details

## CAEP Family Engagement: Course 2- Communication Basics and Strategies for Family Engagement

Content 17 Modules

Reviewer/Instructor CAEP Family Engagement

[→ Go to Course](#)

### About

Browse & Search the course catalog. Feel free to enroll in courses you are interested in.

## Content

- 1. Module 2: Communication Basics and Strategies for Family Engagement**  
Module
- 2. Essential Communication Skills**  
Module
- 3. Active Listening**  
Module
- 4. Empathy**  
Module
- 5. Effective Tone**  
Module
- 6. Clear and Concise Messaging**  
Module
- 7. Reflection Break**  
Module
- 8. Strategies for Effective Family Engagement**  
Module
- 9. Outreach Methods**  
Module
- 10. Creating Welcoming Environments and Involving Families in Decision-Making**  
Module
- 11. Navigating Difficult Conversations**  
Module
- 12. Conflict Resolution Strategies**  
Module





 **13. Techniques for Managing Challenging Interactions with Families**

Module

 **14. Reflection Break**

Module

 **15. Test Your Knowledge**

Exam

 **16. Optional: Skill Building Assessment**

Module

 **17. Module Wrap-Up: Reflect and Apply**

Module



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# TEA Required Trainings

- Dyslexia Training
  - TEALearn
- Mental Health Training
  - TEALearn
- Substance Abuse Prevention Training
  - Health-e-Knowledge
- Youth Suicide Prevention Training
  - As+K Basic Texas
- FERPA (SFA Required)
  - Protecting Student Privacy – U.S. Department of Education



# Paid Clinical Teaching/Residency Update Fall 2025

- Districts offering paid positions
  - Clinical Teaching – SFA has students at 19 of our 29 districts that offer paid CTing positions
  - Residency – 14 partner districts, students placed at all districts
- Number of students in paid Clinical Teaching Positions
  - 42
- Total being paid to Clinical Teachers
  - Appx \$315,000 for the Fall 2025 semester
- Number of students in paid Residency Positions
  - 50 of our 52 YLR are being paid
- Total being paid to Residents
  - \$462,500 per semester totaling \$925,000 for the year





# Meet The Districts Event September 4, 2025



## Attendance

**31 districts  
Over 150  
teacher candidates**

# Spring 2026 Clinical Teaching and Residency Numbers

- 127 students applied for Spring 2025 Clinical Teaching
- 31 students applied for Spring 2025 Residency
- Spring 2026 testing deadline is December 12, 2025



# Important Information

- Fall 2026 Clinical Teaching application opens
  - December 1, 2025, and closes February 15, 2026
- Fall 2025 Teacher Job Fair and Seminar
  - October 24, 2025
    - Teacher Job Fair
      - 10:00 am – 12:30 pm
      - BPSC
    - Clinical Teaching Seminar
      - 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm
      - BPSC
- Education Studies Graduation Reception and Clinical Teaching/Residency Awards
  - December 12<sup>th</sup>
    - 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
    - Cole Concert Hall
- Next Meet the Districts event
  - January 29, 2026
    - 10:00 am – Noon



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# Items from the Floor

**Next Meeting  
November 20st  
1:30-3:00**

# Questions?



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# Adjourn

THANK YOU!

