

**Available School Fund**

The available school fund is apportioned annually to Texas counties according to the scholastic population of each. *Education Code 43.001(b)*

**Foundation School Program**

The provision of public education is a state responsibility that shall be substantially financed through state revenue sources. The public school finance system shall adhere to a standard of neutrality that provides for substantially equal access to similar revenue per student at similar tax effort. *Education Code 42.001*

The Foundation School Program consists of:

1. Two tiers that provide for sufficient financing for all school districts to provide a basic program of education that is rated acceptable or higher, and for substantially equal access to funds to provide an enriched program; and
2. A facilities component as provided by Education Code Chapter 46. [See CCA(LEGAL)]

*Education Code 42.002(b)*

Funding Levels

Not later than July 1 of each year, the Commissioner shall determine for each district whether the estimated amount of state and local funding per student in weighted average daily attendance to be provided to the District under the Foundation School Program for maintenance and operations for the following school year is less than the amount provided to the District for the 2010–11 school year. If the amount estimated to be provided is less, the Commissioner shall certify the percentage decrease in funding to be provided to the District. *Education Code 42.009(a)*