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TO: Directors of Financial Aid
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FROM: DeChà Reid
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RE: 2017-18 (FY 2018) Texas State Financial Aid OPT-IN/OPT-OUT Form

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) is required to invite all eligible institutions the opportunity to participate in certain state financial aid programs order to be included in the allocation calculation process on an annual basis. These programs include the Educational Aide Exemption (EAE), Texas College Work-study (TCWS) and Tuition Equalization Grant (TEG) program. General rules concerning the invitation can found in [Chapter 21](#) and [Chapter 22](#) of the Texas Administrative Code under the **Allocations** section for each program.

All institutions are required to complete the enclosed Opt-In/Opt-Out form. Participation in the listed state financial aid programs are contingent upon completing the survey by **May 8, 2017**. Institutions who do not submit an Opt-In/Opt-Out form by the deadline will not be included in the allocation calculation process for the 2018 Fiscal Year.

If you have any questions, please contact Financial Aid Services at (844) 792-2640 or Grantinfo@theccb.state.tx.us.

Enclosed: [2017-18 \(FY 2018\) Texas State Financial Aid OPT-IN/OPT-OUT Form](#)

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