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RE: 2017-18 Program Guidelines Now Available

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Each of the annual 2017-18 Program Guidelines are available on the [Student Financial Aid Programs \(SFAP\)](#) information website online under Program Specific Information and now include the Toward EXcellence, Access and Success (TEXAS Grant), Tuition Equalization Grant (TEG), Texas Educational Opportunity Grant (TEOG) and the Texas College Work-Study (TCWS) Program. The comprehensive version of the guidelines will be available within the next week and will be posted on the website under Resources.

This year, the guidelines include additional information banners and alert boxes that provide examples to assist administrators with common questions or program specific scenarios. As with last year's guidelines, hyperlinks directly to the Texas Education Code (TEC) and the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) are included. Using these links ensures that institutions can easily access the program statute and rules that are required when administering state financial aid programs.

If you have any questions, please contact Financial Aid Services at (844) 792-2640 or [CONTACT US](#). (Select the applicable option in the drop-down selection under **Contact Reason**).

Enclosed:
[Toward EXcellence Access and Success Grant \(TEXAS Grant\)](#)
[Tuition Equalization Grant \(TEG\)](#)
[Texas Educational Opportunity Grant \(TEOG\)](#)
[Texas College Work-Study \(TCWS\)](#)

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