

## PROPOSED POLICY: 5-21-2016

T-TESS	<p>The District shall appraise teachers using the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS) in accordance with law and administrative regulations.</p> <p>The Board shall approve a list of certified appraisers who can appraise a teacher in place of the teacher's supervisor.</p>
ANNUAL APPRAISAL	District teachers shall be appraised annually.
EXCEPTION	Teachers who are eligible for less frequent evaluations in accordance with law [see DNA(LEGAL)] and the local criteria established in this policy shall be appraised in accordance with the provisions below.
LESS-THAN-ANNUAL ELIGIBILITY	<p>In addition to meeting the eligibility requirements in state rules, to be eligible for less-than-annual evaluations under the T-TESS, a teacher shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Be employed on an educator term contract; and</li><li>2. Hold SBEC certification.</li></ol>
FREQUENCY	<p>Eligible teachers shall be appraised every two years.</p> <p>During any school year when a complete appraisal is not scheduled for an eligible teacher, either the teacher or the principal may require that an appraisal be conducted by providing written notice to the other party.</p> <p>A teacher's supervisor shall have the authority to return a teacher to the traditional appraisal cycle as a result of performance deficiencies documented in accordance with state rule.</p>
ANNUAL REVIEW PROCESS	<p>In the years in which a T-TESS appraisal is not scheduled for an eligible teacher, the teacher shall participate in an annual review process that includes the elements listed in state rule.</p> <p>The annual review process shall produce a written document to be presented to the teacher, signed by the teacher and supervisor, and maintained in the personnel file.</p>