

TEA Correspondence

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DATE: December 5, 2007

Re: 2008–2009 Optional Flexible Year Program (OFYP)

To the Administrator Addressed:

Your school district or charter school may modify its instructional calendar to provide a flexible year program to meet the educational needs of its students, including providing intensive instructional services. A flexible year program is for students who did not, or are likely not, to perform successfully on an assessment instrument administered under Texas Education Code (TEC), §39.023, or who would not otherwise be promoted to the next grade level.

To participate in the Optional Flexible Year Program (OFYP), your district or charter school must provide at least 180 days of instruction to students who meet the eligibility criteria stated in TEC, §29.0821.

For the 2008–2009 school year the deadline for requesting permission to participate in the OFYP is 90 days before the beginning of the school year.

If you have questions about the program, please contact Kathryn Jones at 512-463-9238 or by email at kathryn.jones@tea.state.tx.us.

The rules and application for the OFYP can be found at <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/school.finance/ofyp.html>.

Sincerely,

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