# Texas Private School Equitable Services Monitoring System

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# **Agenda**

- Overview of Texas Private Nonprofit (PNP) Data
- System of Support and Program Monitoring
- Federal Fiscal Monitoring



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**Overview of Texas PNP Data** 



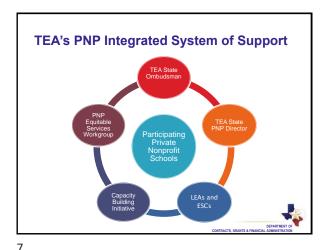
Overview of Texas Data (FY18 data as of October	
Total Local Educational Agencies (LEAs)	1,208
Total Independent School Districts (ISDs)	1,022
Total Educational Service Centers (ESCs)	20
Total LEAs with PNP schools participating in one or more Title programs	315
Total PNP schools served with Title I, Part A funds	1,824
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Overview of Texas PNP Data (continued)								
	Title I, Part A	Title I, Part C	Title II, Part A*	Title III, Part A- EL	Title III, Part A- IMM	Title IV, Part A		
#PNP Schools Served	487	1	557	100	13	369		
PNP Students Served *(Staff served)	7,868	1	21,625*	2,798	126	73,370		

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# System of Support and Program Monitoring

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# **ESSA Program Support**

- Statewide training sessions
  - LEAs
  - Education Service Centers
  - Texas Private School Accreditation Commission & Texas Private School Associations
  - PNP School Officials
  - PNP Workgroup
- Title I Capacity Building Initiative Collaboration



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# **Program Monitoring**



# **Program Monitoring**

- LEA Self-Assessment of PNP Equitable Services
- Collaboration with other TEA divisions and program offices
- Collaboration with other stakeholders (LEAs, ESCs, PNPs, Title I Committee of Practitioners, PNP Workgroup)
- Random Program Validations (desktop monitoring)
- Compliance Reports (annually)



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# LEA Self-Assessment of PNP Equitable Services

- Describe LEA's consultation process
- · How are the needs identified
- Describe the services to be provided
- How will decisions about services be made
- How will progress be monitored for effectiveness
- How will LEA ensure oversight (allowability, compliance, equipment, etc.)



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# Random Program Validation Agency LEA Equitable Services for Eligible Private Neoprofits (PNP) Schools \*Random Validation Confidence To Confidence December Services to Eligible Private School Children. The LEA centures that it complete with the requirements of providing equitable services to eligible private School Children. The LEA centures that it complete with the requirements of providing equitable services to eligible private School Children. The LEA centures that it complete with the requirements of providing equitable services to eligible private School Children. The LEA centures that it complete with the requirements of providing equitable services to eligible private School Children. The LEA centures that it complete with the requirements of providing equitable services and the families. EleX as amended by ESSA, Section 117 (Title, I. Part A. The Unit Part A. EL and Immigrants Title Ps. Part A. B., and Fs.) \*\*Random Validation Confidence connected to Ps. SSSA requirements. The LEA must ensure it has all IPSP requirements of Sections 1117 and 8501 on file in the distinct of the section of

# **Common Program Findings**

- Lack of written documentation
- · Lack of LEA program oversight
- Lack of LEA review process for PNP requests
- Lack of adequate description of equitable services available



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# **Common Program Strengths**

- Documentation of ongoing consultation meetings
- Equitable services handbook and written program descriptions
- Evaluation of program effectiveness
- Review of data and PNP needs
- Collaboration and coordination of services



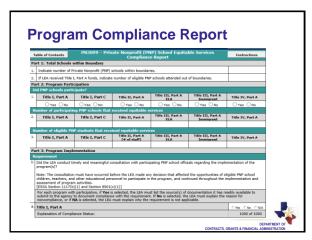
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# **Program Compliance Report**

# Desktop monitoring of all LEAs serving PNP schools

- Year-end reporting
- Program implementation reviews
  - Timely and meaningful consultation
  - Maintaining local control
  - Equitable services for services and administration







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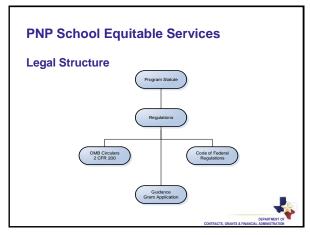
Private Nonprofit (PNP) School Equitable Services

Who is ultimately responsible for expenditures of PNP funds?

• LEA?

• Private Nonprofit?

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# **Fiscal Monitoring of PNP Funds**

# Monitoring PNP funds consist of:

- Review of Financial Management System
- Review of Internal Controls
- Financial reporting of PNP funds
- Verification of data reported on the grant application
- Testing of selected expenditures
- Address questions, concerns, observations, etc., during the review



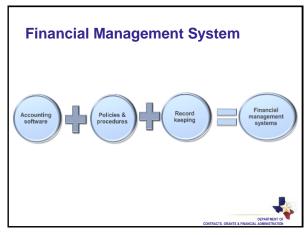
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# **Fiscal Monitoring of PNP Funds**

# **Financial Management System:**

- Accounting software
- Internal Controls
- Budgetary Controls
- Financial Reporting
- Record-keeping (source documentation)
- Compliance with applicable state, federal and grant specific requirements





# **Financial Management System**

# **Accounting Software**

Able to generate necessary financial records

#### **Internal Controls**

 Written policies and procedures required by the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR)

# Examples:

- Procurement Methods
- Allowability of Cost
- Travel Authorization and Reimbursement
- Conflict of Interest



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# **Financial Management System**

#### **Budgetary Controls**

 Budgets are set up and PNP funds are tracked in the financial management system

### **Financial Reporting**

Expenditures of PNP funds are identified separately in the financial records

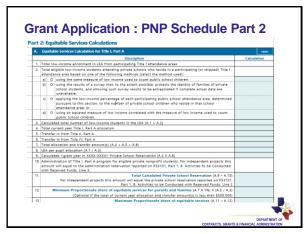
# **Source Documentation**

Supporting documentation is maintained for PNP funds



# Grant Application: PNP Schedule Part 1 - Participation of PNPs - Private school participation by program - Assurances Part 1: Private Schools Consultation and Participation - Private Schools Consultation - Private School Consultation - Private Schools Consultation - Private School Consultation - Private Schools Consultation - Private Sc

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# **Verification of Data Reported**

- Review supporting documentation to verify low income students reported on the schedule
- Review financial records to verify the amount of PNP funds appropriated for each program in the general ledger
- Review PNP affirmation sheets submitted by LEAs for participating PNPs for each program



# **Testing of PNP Expenditures**

- Select a sample of PNP expenditures and request supporting documentation
- Examine supporting documentation to ensure expenditures complied with state and federal laws, rules, regulation and grant application requirements
- Review PNP affirmation sheets submitted by LEAs for participating PNPs



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# **Testing of PNP Expenditures**

- Issue preliminary report of findings and observations to grantee with recommendations for corrective actions
- Examine grantee's response and make necessary adjustments in the report
- Issue final report of findings and observations with follow-up corrective actions not completed



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# **Common Fiscal Findings**

Direct Payments to PNPs



- Lack of planning of PNP expenditures
- Lack of oversight of PNP expenditures
- Payments of PNP expenditures without prior approval



# Common Fiscal Findings (continued)

- PNP funds paid for ineligible training/travel costs
- PNP expenditures did not adhere to applicable state and federal laws
- Lack of proper agreements with third-party service providers
- Lack of proper agreements for shared services/consortium



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# Questions? Output Ou

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# **Webpages**

TEA Private School Services

https://tea.texas.gov/Finance\_and\_Grants/Grants/ESSA\_Private\_School\_Equitable\_Services

TEA Federal Fiscal Monitoring

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