

# Program Guidelines

## 2023-2025 Safety and Facilities Enhancement (SAFE) Grant, Cycle 1

An Informal Discretionary Competitive (IDC) Grant

Program Needs Assessment Due Date

11:59 p.m. Central Time, September 21, 2023

Program Authority

Senate Bill 30, 8<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Section 4.02



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# 2023-2025 Safety and Facilities Enhancement (SAFE)

## Reference to the General and Fiscal Guidelines

The Program Guidelines provide information specifically relevant to this grant program. The [General and Fiscal Guidelines](#) provide information relevant to all TEA grant programs. Throughout the Program Guidelines, crossreferences are given to applicable sections of the [General and Fiscal Guidelines](#). It is critical that you review all referenced sections of [General and Fiscal Guidelines](#) when preparing your application. Although this grant is an Informal Discretionary Competitive (IDC) grant, references to Letter of Interest (LOI) grants generally apply unless stated differently in program guidelines.

## Overview of the Grant Process

The following steps provide a high

## Applicant Assistance

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### School Safety Program Contact

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# Program Guidelines

Nov. 20, 2023	Anticipated Deadline for submitting the eGrants Funding Application
Dec., 2023	Beginning date of grant (if selected for funding) See <a href="#">General and Fiscal Guidelines</a> , Grant Period
May, 2025	Final date to submit an amendment (if selected for funding)
July, 2025	Ending date of grant (if selected for funding) See <a href="#">General and Fiscal Guidelines</a> , Grant Period

For all dates related to the grant, including reporting dates, see [TEA Grant Opportunities](#) page. If a due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the date will be on the following business day. All dates except the grant ending date may vary slightly as conditions require.

## Grant at a Glance

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- g. increasing the height of preexisting fence to meet the height requirement of the safety standards rule; and
  - h. Modification of other preexisting fencing components to bring fence up to standard
- 2. Exterior Doors
  - a. Purchasing of door reinforcement components:
  - b. Door;
  - c. Mechanical door auto closer;
  - d. Mechanical door lock;
  - e. Emergency egress push bar;
  - f. Door frame;
  - g. Center mullion and
  - h. Master key rekeying on mechanical doors
- 3. Glass Exterior Doors Not Within a Secured Area
  - a. Purchase of forced entry resistant film and installation materials.
- 4. Ground Level Exterior Windows
  - a. For windows adjacent to or near an exterior door to become compliant:
  - b. Purchase of forced entry resistant film and installation materials;
  - c. In the case that the window frame itself is not removable and the frame and window must be upgraded to comply with the minimum safety standards:
  - d. Purchase of forced entry window;
  - e. Window frame and installation materials.
- 5. Silent Panic Alert Technology
  - a. Purchase and installation of silent panic alert technology.
  - b. Maintenance/service contracts for silent panic alert technology systems.

