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TO: Directors of Regional Education Service Centers

FROM: DeChà Reid
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DATE: April 19, 2018

RE: 2018-19 (FY 2019) Texas State Financial Aid OPT-IN/OPT-OUT Form –
College Access Loan (CAL)

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) invites all Regional Education Service Centers or other entities that offer Alternative Educator Certification Program the opportunity to participate in the state loan program to receive CAL funds.

To ensure funds are disbursed only to eligible participating education service centers, the enclosed Opt-In/Opt-Out form must be submitted to THECB. Participation in the CAL program is contingent upon completing the survey by **May 3, 2018**. Regional Education Service Centers or other entities that do not submit an Opt-In/Opt-Out form by the deadline will not receive funding for the 2019 Fiscal Year. Please note that a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will be required to certify CAL funds for FY 2019. The MOU will be sent out separately through email by the THECB and must be signed and returned by the deadline date.

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

Enclosed: [2018-19 \(FY 2019\) CAL Program OPT-IN/OPT-OUT Form](#)

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