

**TEXAS EDUCATION CODE, CHAPTER 51**

**PROVISIONS GENERALLY APPLICABLE TO HIGHER EDUCATION**

**SUBCHAPTER G. RESPONSIBILITIES OF GOVERNING BOARDS, SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIONS, AND INSTITUTIONS**

<p><b>§ 51.353. RESPONSIBILITY OF SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION.</b></p> <p>(a) The system administration of each system shall coordinate the activities of component institutions within the system.</p> <p>(b) In addition to other powers and duties provided by this code or other law, each system administration shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) initiate, monitor, approve, and coordinate long-range planning for the system;</li><li>(2) approve short-range institutional plans for operations and expenditures;</li><li>(3) provide to component institutions technical assistance such as legal and financial services;</li><li>(4) evaluate each component institution and assist the institution in the achievement of performance goals; and</li><li>(5) perform such other duties as may be delegated to it by the governing board of its system.</li></ol> <p>Added by <i>Acts 1987, 70th Leg., ch. 823, Sec. 1.09, eff. June 20, 1987.</i></p>	<p>(a) System administration coordinates activities of component institutions.</p> <p>(b) Statutory duties to components:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) System long-range planning;</li><li>(2) Approval of short-range operations and expenditure plans;</li><li>(3) Provide technical assistance, including legal and financial;</li><li>(4) Evaluate and assist with performance goals; and,</li><li>(5) Perform Board assigned duties.</li></ol>
<p><b>§ 51.354. INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITY.</b> In addition to specific responsibilities imposed by this code or other law, each institution of higher education has the general responsibility to serve the public and, within the institution's role and mission, to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) transmit culture through general education;</li><li>(2) extend knowledge;</li><li>(3) teach and train students for professions;</li><li>(4) provide for scientific, engineering, medical, and other academic research;</li><li>(5) protect intellectual exploration and academic freedom;</li><li>(6) strive for intellectual excellence;</li><li>(7) provide educational opportunity for all who can benefit from postsecondary education and training; and</li><li>(8) provide continuing education opportunities.</li></ol> <p>Added by <i>Acts 1987, 70th Leg., ch. 823, Sec. 1.09, eff. June 20, 1987.</i></p>	<p><b>Institutional Duties:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) Transmit culture;</li><li>(2) Extend knowledge;</li><li>(3) Teach/train for professions;</li><li>(4) Promote research;</li><li>(5) Protect intellectual exploration and academic freedom;</li><li>(6) Strive for intellectual excellence;</li><li>(7) Provide postsecondary education/training; and,</li><li>(8) Provide continuing education.</li></ol>