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To: Chief Academic Officers - Universities, Chief Instructional Officers – Community Colleges, Lamars, TSTC’s, Liaisons – Universities, CTC’s, Student Success Initiatives Information, Grant Information – Universities, Community, State and Technical Colleges

From: Carrie Gits  
Assistant Commissioner, Student Success and Institutional Partnerships

Date: May 5, 2026

Subject: THECB Request for Applications: Student Success Acceleration Program (SSAP) 3.0

### Overview

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board is pleased to announce the Request for Applications (RFA) for the Student Success Acceleration Program (SSAP) 3.0 is now available.

The goal of the SSAP 3.0 Grant program is to support students’ persistence and completion of credentials of value leading to successful career and labor market outcomes in Texas. This RFA solicits proposals from Texas public institutions for the development, enhancement, and scaling of evidence-based programs and initiatives for an identified target student population in at least one (1) of the following program areas:

- Academic Supports
- Career Services and Advising
- Financial Support

SSAP 3.0 Grants support an important priority of THECB—to positively impact metrics related to the state’s strategic plan for higher education, *Building a Talent Strong Texas*. This includes funding programs that improve retention rates (1-year), increase existing capacity to serve more students (scaling), expand program impact (scope), or otherwise increase credential attainment/graduation rates, academic achievement, and affordability for students.

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### Grant Details

- **Grant Period:** September 1, 2026 - August 31, 2028
- **Estimated Funding:** \$6,000,000.00
- **Funding Source:** [General Appropriations Act, Article III, Strategy A.1.3 and Rider 39, 89th Texas Legislature, Regular Session](#)

### Eligibility

Texas public 2-year and 4-year institutions as defined by [Texas Education Code § 61.003\(2\)\(3\)\(7\)&\(16\)](#).

### Key Dates

<b>Event</b>	<b>Dates</b>
RFA Opens in Fluxx	May 5, 2026
Informational Webinar	May 14, 2026 (12:00pm, CST)
Last Day for Applicant Inquiries	June 10, 2026 (5:00pm, CST)
Application Deadline	June 15, 2026 (5:00pm, CST)
Grant Award Announcement	July 24, 2026
Grant Period Begins	September 1, 2026

### How to Apply

#### New: Fluxx Grants Management System (GMS)

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has launched the Fluxx Grants Management System (GMS), a new online platform designed to simplify and streamline the grant lifecycle, from application to award and reporting.

### What You Need to Know

- Create and access your account via the [THECB Online Grants Portal](#).
- Ensure your IT department allows emails from fluxx.io.
- Each GMS account must belong to an individual user with an official organizational email address.
- Shared or generic mailboxes (e.g., info@, grants@, residency@) will not be approved.

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- A GMS account must be created before beginning an application.
- All applications and required documentation must be submitted through GMS.
- Grant opportunities remain listed on the THECB website.

### **Training and Support**

- **[Student Success Acceleration Program \(SSAP\) 3.0 Grants](#)**: Dedicated website for the SSAP 3.0 Grant Program
- **[Fluxx User Guide](#)**: Step-by-step instructions for setup and application submission
- **[Help Desk](#)**: Dedicated technical support for GMS users
- **[FAQs and Resources](#)**: Updated regularly on the GMS portal

Program inquiries: [studentsuccess@highered.texas.gov](mailto:studentsuccess@highered.texas.gov)

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