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Memorandum

To: Public and Private/Independent Institutions of Higher Education

**From: DeChà Reid
Director III, Student Financial Aid Programs Operations**

Date: August 29, 2023

Subject: UPDATE: 2024-25 (FY 2025) State Financial Aid Priority Deadline

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) would like to announce that the 2024-25 (FY 2025) State Financial Aid Priority deadline has been updated from January 15, 2024, to March 15, 2024. The Commissioner may delay the priority deadline for a specific aid cycle, after consultation with representatives of the financial aid community (see amendment for [Texas Administrative Code, Section 22.6\(3\)](#)).

All General Academic Teaching Institutions (GATIs) in Texas (including Lamar State College Orange and Lamar State College Port Arthur), as defined in [Texas Education Code \(TEC\), Title 3, Section 61.003\(3\)](#), **must** publicize and use **March 15** as the state priority deadline for identifying eligible students to be given priority in receiving awards through state financial aid programs for the 2024-25 academic year. Institutions may define how their students must meet the priority deadline and are encouraged to adopt a policy describing the actions students must take to meet the deadline. The updated priority deadline will be published on THECB's public website.

For questions, contact Financial Aid Services at 844-792-2640 or through [CONTACT US](#) (select "Financial Aid Question" under Contact Reason).