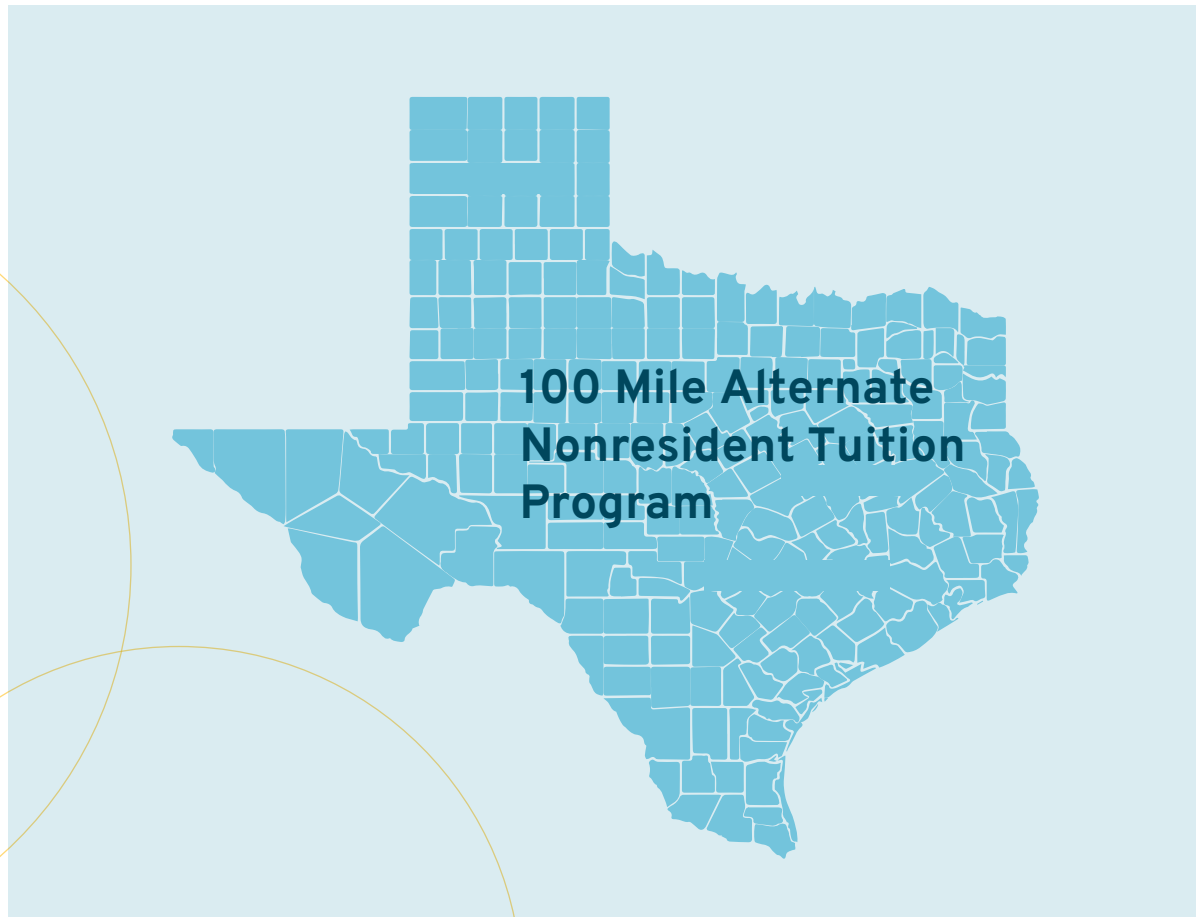


100-Mile Alternate Nonresident Tuition Program

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Topics of Discussion



- Program Overview
- Rule Changes (October 2024)
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- Technically a different tuition rate, not a waiver!
- Can be applied to most types of students, but not medical, dental, or veterinary students.
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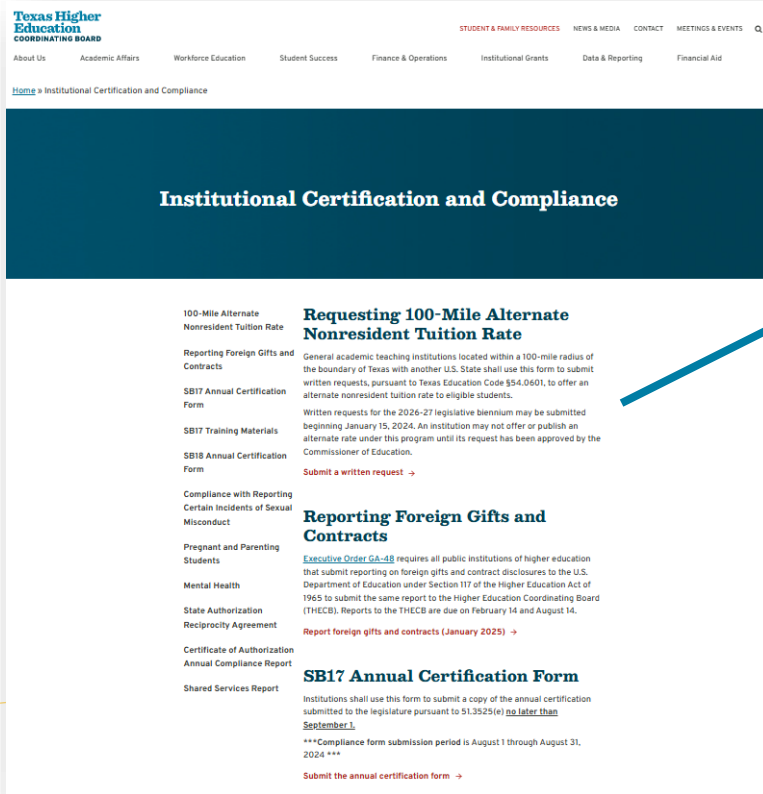
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- The new rules include:
 - Definitions of important terms.
 - Program requirements.
 - Application requirements and process.
 - Reporting guidance.
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Submitting a Written Request



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Written Request for 100-Mile Alternate Nonresident Tuition Program

DIRECTIONS

General academic teaching institutions shall use this form to submit written requests, pursuant to Texas Education Code, §54.0601, to offer an alternate nonresident tuition rate to eligible students. **An institution may not offer or publish an alternate rate under this program until its request has been approved by the Commissioner of Higher Education.**

Written requests for the 2026-27 legislative biennium may be submitted beginning **January 15, 2025**.

CONTACT

The institutional contact (and form submitter, if applicable) will receive confirmation of submission. Coordinating Board staff will reach out to the institution if there are any questions regarding the submission.

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RULES:

Rules for this program are located in [Texas Administrative Code, Title 19, §13.122\(f\)](#). Submitters are strongly encouraged to review the rules before submitting an application.

Receiving Approval

- After receiving a written request from an institution, the Coordinating Board has 30 calendar days to review the request and notify the institution of the commissioner's determination.
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