



Program Overview: **Parent-Directed Special Education Services (PDSES)**



The 2025-2026
school year
application
window opens:



Application opens on April 1st at 8am CST
and closes on April 30th at 5pm CST.

What is PDSES?

PDSES provides a **\$1,500 one-time grant** to parents of students who are both enrolled in a Texas public school and receive special education services. Parents can use PDSES grant funds to purchase educational goods and services for their student on the online marketplace.

How do I apply?

Parents can only apply during the annual application window. You must have a My SPEDTex account in order to apply when the application opens. You can create a My SPEDTex account on the [SPEDTex website](#) at any time. Learn more about the [application process](#) on the PDSES website.

Where can I get more information or help?

 PDSESHelp@Region10.org

 1-855-773-3839

 [PDSES Parent Portal FAQs](#)



Sign up for [PDSES email updates](#)

Who is eligible?

To be eligible for a PDSES grant, students must:

- be currently enrolled in a Texas public school (grades PK-12th);
- receive special education services through an individualized education program (IEP); **and**
- have **NOT** received a PDSES grant in the past – PDSES is a **one-time only grant**.



Note: The PDSES program has a certain amount of funds from the Texas Legislature to create accounts each school year. Funding for the 2025-2026 application will not be available until fall of 2026 and accounts are awarded based on [prioritization](#).

What can we purchase?



With PDSES accounts, parents are able to purchase educational goods and services from the PDSES online marketplace.

Educational goods such as:

Books	Tablets	Sensory Items
Laptops	School Supplies	Therapeutic Items
Headphones	Education Games	Printers

Services such as:

Tutoring	Social Skills	Counseling
Therapy	Camps	Adaptive Fitness



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