

TEA Census Block Tool

Under HB3, Section 1.028, the Compensatory Education Allotment was modified to establish weighted funding based on the census block in which an economically disadvantaged student resides.

HB3 – Section 1.028 (Excerpt)

SECTION 1.028. Section 42.152, Education Code, is transferred to Subchapter C, Chapter 48, Education Code, as added by this Act, redesignated as Section 48.104, Education Code, and amended to read as follows:

Sec. 48.104 [~~42.152~~]. COMPENSATORY EDUCATION ALLOTMENT.

(a) For each student who [~~is educationally disadvantaged or who is a student who~~] does not have a disability and resides in a residential placement facility in a district in which the student's parent or legal guardian does not reside, a district is entitled to an annual allotment equal to the [~~adjusted~~] basic allotment multiplied by 0.2 or, if the student is educationally disadvantaged, 0.275. For [~~, and by 2.41 for~~] each full-time equivalent student who is in a remedial and support program under Section 29.081 because the student is pregnant, a district is entitled to an annual allotment equal to the basic allotment multiplied by 2.41.

(b) For each student who is educationally disadvantaged and resides in an economically disadvantaged census block group as determined by the commissioner under Subsection (c), a district is entitled to an annual allotment equal to the basic allotment multiplied by the weight assigned to the student's census block group under Subsection (d).

➤ New Data Element

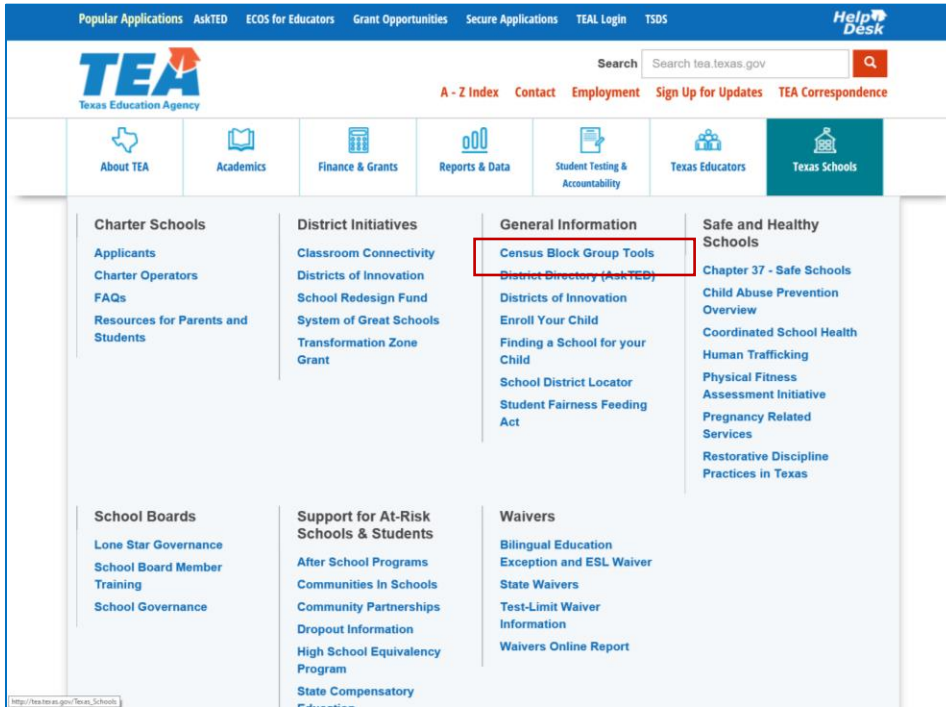
- **E1648 STUDENT- CENSUS-BLOCK-GROUP**
- Added to the StudentExtension Complex
- 12 digit code – StateID/CountyID/CensusTract/BlockGroup
- **PEIMS Fall Submission**
- New Fall PEIMS Report: *Student Census Block Group Roster*

➤ Students Reported with Census Block Data

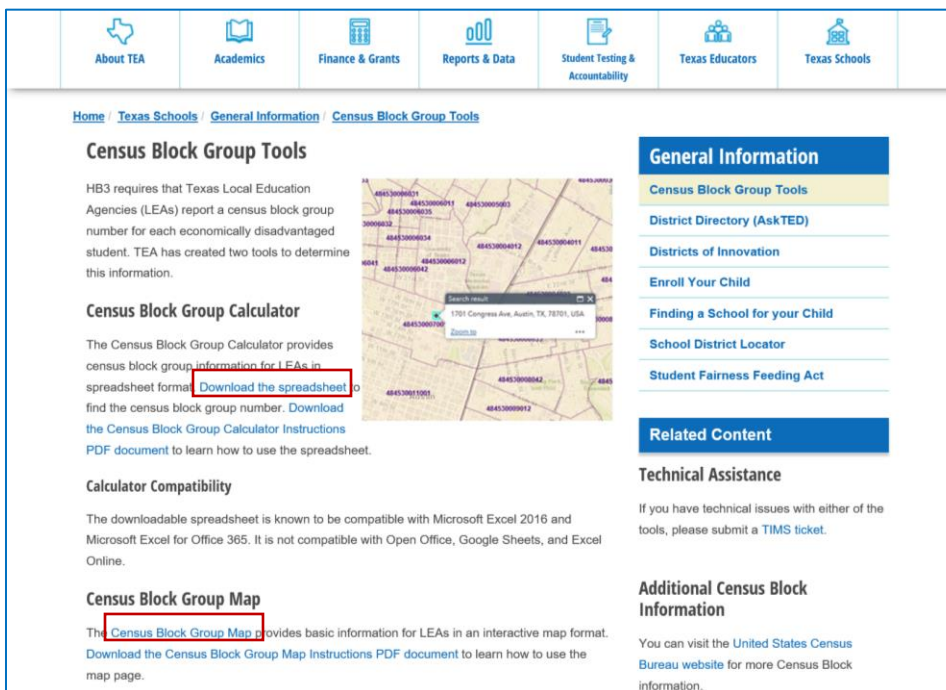
- EcoDis Code of '01', '02', or '99'
- Homeless Indicator of '0'
- Eligible to generate ADA – codes 1, 2, 3, 6, or 7
- New Fatal Edit – will check validity of the Census Block Group data reported.

➤ Census Block Tool

TEA is providing a tool for districts to determine the Census Block code for each non-Homeless, ADA Eligible, EcoDis student based on the students' physical address. There is a link to the Census Block Tool on the TEA website:



The screenshot shows the TEA website home page. The navigation bar includes links for Popular Applications, AskTED, ECOS for Educators, Grant Opportunities, Secure Applications, TEAL Login, and TSDS. The main navigation menu has icons for About TEA, Academics, Finance & Grants, Reports & Data, Student Testing & Accountability, Texas Educators, and Texas Schools. The 'Texas Schools' menu is expanded, showing categories like Charter Schools, District Initiatives, General Information, Safe and Healthy Schools, School Boards, Support for At-Risk Schools & Students, and Waivers. The 'Census Block Group Tools' link is highlighted with a red box in the 'General Information' section.



The screenshot shows the 'Census Block Group Tools' page. The page title is 'Census Block Group Tools'. The main content area includes a description of the tool, a 'Census Block Group Calculator' section with a 'Download the spreadsheet' link highlighted in red, and a 'Census Block Group Map' section. A map of Texas is shown with a search bar and a location pin. The right sidebar contains 'General Information' and 'Related Content' sections.

Link:
http://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Schools/General_Information/Census_Block_Group_Tools

➤ Census Block Spreadsheet Tool

	UID	Street 1	Street 2	City	Sta	Zip	Zip Extensi	Latitude	Longitude	Confidence	Type	ST Co	City Co	Tract	Block Gro	12 Digit GEID
1																
2	12345	4805 CR-210		Bertram	TX	78605		30.84547846	-97.98049246	100	PointAddress	48	53	960100	3	480539601003
3	Calculate	12345	900 N VIRGINIA	PORT LAVACA	TX	77979		28.62136332	-96.63181598	98.84	StreetAddress	48	57	000100	1	480570001001
4		12345	605 N COMMERCE ST	PORT LAVACA	TX	77979		28.62097328	-96.62808223	100	PointAddress	48	57	000100	1	480570001001
5		21144	2571 E 4th St	Mission	TX	78572		26.20593236	-98.29827832	100	PointAddress	48	215	020404	1	482150204041
6		21144	5201 Wolf Pack Dr	Pflugerville	TX	78660		30.4524	-97.64544	85	PointAddress	48	453	001860	2	484530018602
7		21144	2571 E 4th St	Mission	TX	78572		26.20593236	-98.29827832	100	PointAddress	48	215	020404	1	482150204041

- Copy/Paste a list of student physical addresses into the spreadsheet
- Data must include: UID, Street Address (Street Number & Street Name), City, State, Zip Code
- Must be a physical address – no PO Box addresses
- Click the **Calculate** button to run the macro and retrieve the Census Block information for each student in the list
- For optimal performance, it is best to process about 2,000 records at a time

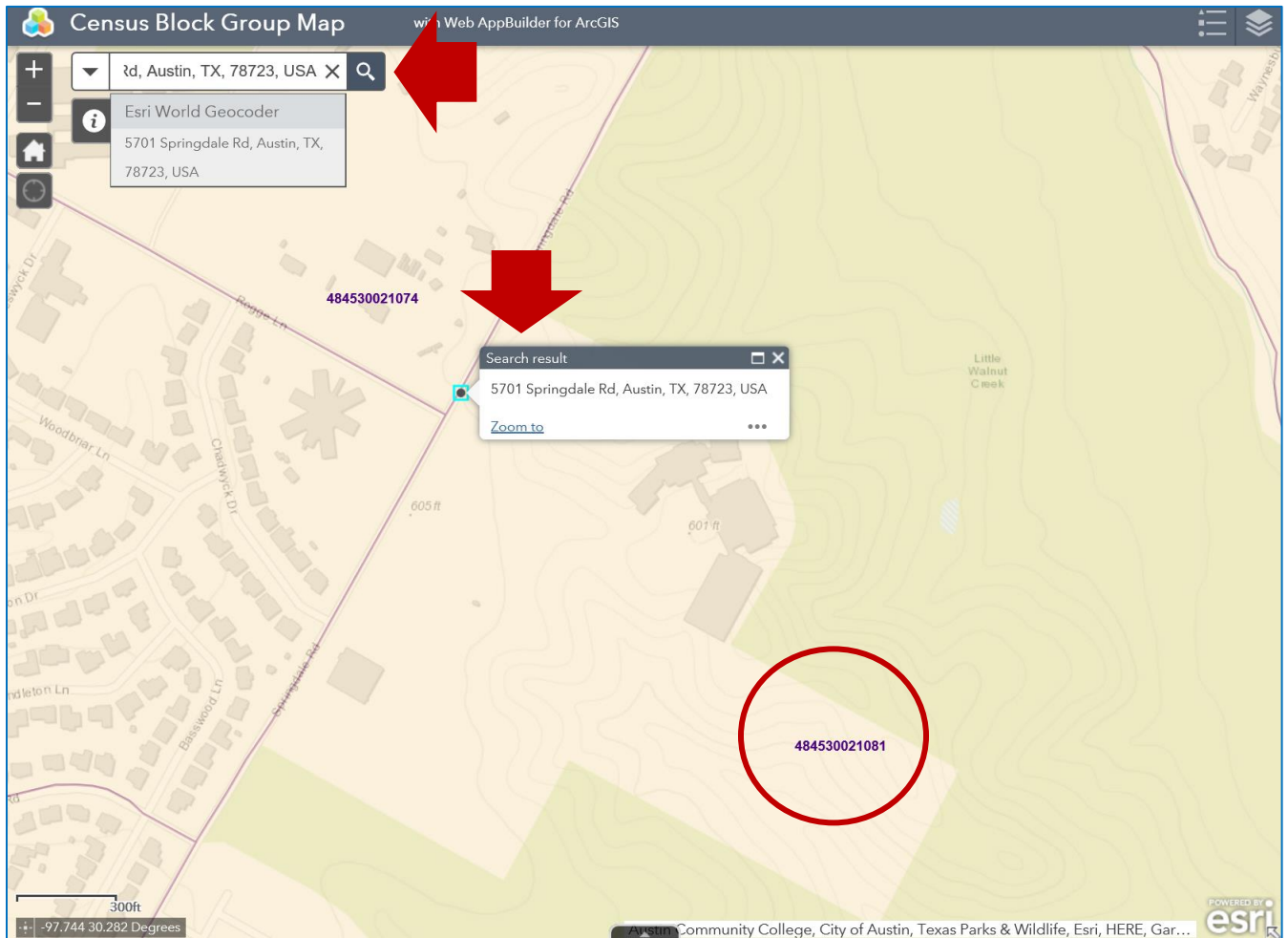
➤ Recommendations

- Census Block Data is reported in Fall PEIMS based on students enrolled as of the Snapshot Date (**October 30, 2020**) – wait until after Snapshot Date to run a list of students with physical addresses
- Only retrieve information for students that meet the reporting criteria:
 - ✓ **Enrolled as of 10/30/2020**
 - ✓ **EcoDis of '01', '02', or '99'**
 - ✓ **Homeless Indicator of '0'**
 - ✓ **Eligibility Code 1, 2, 3, 6 or 7**
- Create a list of students with physical addresses based on the criteria above and copy/paste into the Census Block Spreadsheet Tool
- Your SIS vendor will have a process in place to load the Census Block Data back into your SIS
- An API interface is available if your SIS vendor is able to provide that access. This will allow you to retrieve the Census Block Data on an individual student that may have an address change or when enrolling a new student that meets the EcoDis reporting criteria.

- TEA recommends using the **Census Block Group Map** tool to verify any data returned within the spreadsheet tool that has a Confidence level less than 100%.

➤ **Census Block Group Map**

- Enter the physical address in the Search box in the map
- The map will plot the address on the map and give the Census Block Group code for that location



The Census Block Group data retrieved and reported for each EcoDis student will be assigned to one of five weighted tiers to determine the amount of State Compensatory Funding a district will receive based on the number of students that fall within each of the five tiers. The assignment of Census Block Groups to the five weighted tiers will occur in December.