

TRUE SCHOOL FREEDOM ACT

Already written. Ready Day 1.
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One bill. Four historic wins.

- 1. Delivers true universal school choice for every Texas family**
Money follows the child — public, private, charter, homeschool, or micro-schooling. No zip code traps. No income caps. No lotteries or red tape.
Higher Education Freedom Accounts (~\$12,000+ base, more for special needs) from Day 1 [1].
- 2. Fully funds schools and cuts property taxes — ZERO new taxes, ZERO cuts**
The *Freedom Fund* delivers billions in new revenue from the **Cultivate Texas Act** (responsible, regulated cannabis the Texas way) and **Texas Freedom Act** (unleashing safe free enterprise like coastal resorts).
Boosts per-student funding for public schools. Raises teacher pay where deserved (merit-based, local decision).
Gives parents real options while delivering the biggest property tax relief in Texas history — phased in as revenues ramp up, starting with surpluses.
- 3. Right now — in January 2026 — Texas families are still trapped**
Abbott's new ESA program opens applications this month, but it's capped, prioritized, and limited — wealthier families wait years, potential lotteries if demand exceeds weak initial funding, and bureaucracy slows everything down [2].
Public schools remain underfunded — no meaningful basic allotment increase since 2019 [3] — while illegal immigration strains classrooms, draining billions that should go to American kids [4].
Harmful agendas and indecent curricula creep into some districts.
Girls' sports and privacy under attack.
Parents beg for options, but Austin gives half-measures while open borders profit.
Texas kids get shortchanged. Texas taxpayers get the bill.
- 4. Puts parents and Texas kids back in control**
Ends the zip code monopoly. Empowers families with real choice.
Bans harmful agendas, protects girls' sports and privacy, strengthens homeschool freedoms.
Prioritizes resources for American families first — audits strains, demands federal fixes.
Lets faith-based and traditional schools thrive without government overreach.

This isn't "voucher expansion."

This is ending the failed system — where parents lose control, kids suffer indoctrination, and illegal immigration burdens our classrooms — and using bold revenue to give every family freedom plus massive tax relief.

Ready Day 1
Choice-positive | Parent-first | Texas-first | Family-protective

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Sources for Key Numbers/Claims:

- [1] Projected ESA base amount based on Texas per-student funding averages (TEA 2025 data).
- [2] Texas Comptroller / TEA reports on ESA program limits and lotteries (Jan 2026 rollout).
- [3] Texas Comptroller: Basic allotment unchanged since HB 3 (2019).
- [4] Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR) estimates: \$10B+ annual cost to Texas for illegal immigration education/strain.