Safe Firearm Storage Resources

Information for School Districts and Open-Enrollment Charter Schools to
Assist with New Legislative Requirements

<u>House Bill 3</u>, Section 19 (88th Texas Legislature) requires the Texas School Safety Center, in collaboration with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS), to provide to each school district and open-enrollment charter school information and other resources regarding the safe storage of firearms, including information on section <u>46.13 of the Texas Penal Code</u>, for distribution by the district or school.

The Texas DPS has created a public relations campaign – <u>Keep 'Em Safe Texas</u> – that offers free downloadable resources to promote safe gun storage.

Districts must provide this information to the parent or guardian of each student enrolled in the district or school. The Texas School Safety Center recommends districts provide this information multiple times annually—at the beginning of the school year, before holidays and breaks, and at the end of the school year.

Keep 'Em Safe Texas Resources

In the educator toolkit below, you will find links to resources in English and Spanish to assist districts with meeting this legislative mandate. Districts may select the resources and formats that best fit their needs.

Keep 'Em Safe Texas Educator Toolkit

Parent Letter

The Texas School Safety Center has also prepared a parent cover letter template that districts may adapt to introduce the resources above and provide parents with information on section <u>46.13 of the Penal Code</u>.

Parent Letter Template - English: <u>Download here</u>
Parent Letter Template - Spanish: <u>Download here</u>



