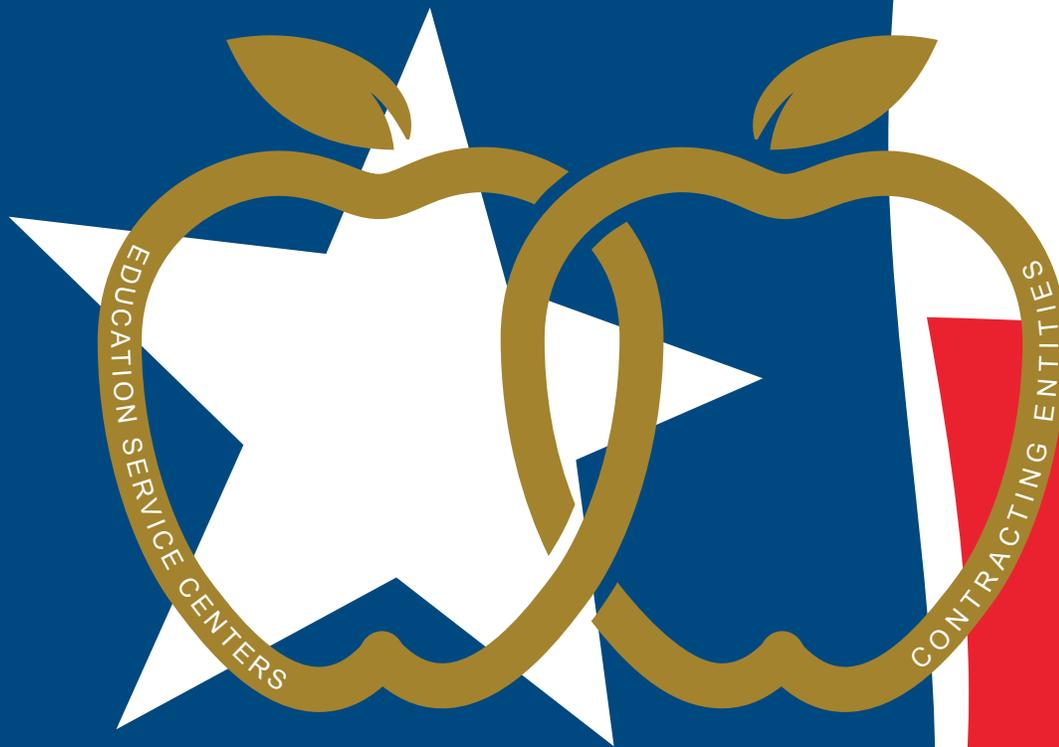


# ESC

## Education Service Centers Serve Up Nutrition and Program Expertise



### Call on Your ESC... *Service* is Their Middle Name

The Texas Department of Agriculture's affiliation with **Education Service Centers (ESCs)** ensures TDA's nutrition program partners have the resources and technical assistance needed to excel.

ESCs offer training and assistance for the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Food Distribution Programs and the Summer Food Service Program. ESCs offer complete, no-cost training and technical assistance services funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and administered by TDA. ESCs are equipped to provide technical assistance in the form of workshops, labs, on-site sessions, food shows, community activities and more. Working together, ESCs and TDA support customer service excellence and high professional standards in the administration of federal nutrition programs.



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*Here are just a few examples of how ESCs can assist your team:*

### Technical Assistance

- Eligibility and direct certification
- Record keeping
- Claim filing
- Application assistance

### Culinary Assistance

- Meal appeal and acceptability
- Menu planning
- Meal patterns

### Benefits

- ESC training can help meet professional standards requirements
- No cost to providers
- 20 regional facilities
- On-site assistance available

### Certification Courses

- Certified Food Managers Course
- Culinary Skills Certificate Program
- Manager Academy

*Contact your ESC today for more information about how your program can achieve new levels of excellence with guidance from their experts.*



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