## **Step 1: TEA Login (TEAL) Access**

A. Go to the TEA website, www.tea.state.tx.us, and select "Educator Login."



B. Select "Create new TEAL account."



# Educator Certification Online System (ECOS)

TEA has implemented a new login called TEAL, which ECOS will use going forward. Please follow the steps below to get started.

PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE MESSAGE BEFORE PROCEEDING TO ANY LINKS ON THIS PAGE. YOU WILL NEED TO KEEP THIS PAGE OPEN SO YOU CAN EASILY REFERENCE THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS.

#### 1. Create new TEAL account or Login to TEAL

- 2. Please **select "Educator" as your Organization Type** on the TEAL New User Registration form. TEAL will prompt you to enter your TEA ID or Social Security Number or P Number. This will assist us in migrating your credentials to the new system.
- After you have created your TEAL user account, you will receive an email with your new user name and password. Follow the link in this email to login, using your new user name and password.
- 4. After changing your password and establishing your security questions, you will be redirected to the TEAL landing page, where you can access the ECOS for Educators application by clicking on the link.

View TEAL instructions to access ECOS educator account via below links:

TEAL Instructions With Graphics or TEAL Quick Reference

Video TEAL Setup Instructions

Internet Explorer (IE) is the only web browser supported by TEA, and to access ECOS you must use Internet Explorer.

PC is recommended.



- C. Enter your information **EXACTLY** as it appears on your driver's license/state id. If your name has changed, **STOP**, and follow the **Name Change Information** at the end of this document.
  - a. Tip: Make sure you capitalize the first letter of your first and last name and make the rest lower case. For example: Jane Doe; Not JANE DOE or jane doe.
  - b. Your email address should be all lowercase.

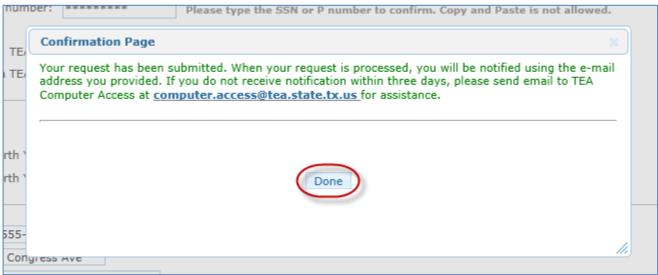
* First Name: Middle Name: * Last Name: Suffix:	Texan  Generational, Academic, Professional (Jr, F	PhD, CPA)
* Email Address:	edtexan@gmail.com	All notifications will be sent to this address.
* Verify Email:	edtexan@gmail.com	
* Birth Month:	01 The month of birth (1-12)	
* Birth Day:	01 The day of the month of birth (1-31)	
Birth Year:	1975 YYYY	

D. Select "Educator" for the Organization Type and enter the required information

* Organization Type:	Educator	▼ The	e user's organization type.		
Job Title:					
Please enter the follo	owing information	on in order to search	for an existing Educator account that belongs to you.		
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of the email please o	onfirm that you	do not have a social	Educator Certification and indicate in the subject line "Request a temporary file and TEA ID number." In the body security number, and include a daytime telephone number. You will also need to attach a copy of your state if you have been previously assigned a temporary file number in the Educator Certification Online System)		
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	TEA ID:				
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* Country:	* Country: United States ▼				
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* Zip or Postal Code:	* Zip or Postal Code: 78701				
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E. Select "Submit" to submit the request

F. Select "Done"



G. Wait for system-generated email

#### H. Read the email carefully and follow the TEAL access instructions

\*\*\*PLEASE READ CAREFULLY\*\*\*

#### **TEAL Access**

Your request for a user account to access TEA online applications has been processed. You must use the username and password provided below to log on to TEAL (Texas Education Agency Login). You will also receive additional email message(s) when access is provided to the specific TEA application(s) you request.

Here are the major steps necessary to complete TEAL registration and grant you access into TEAL.

- 1. Enter your username and generated password to log on to TEAL.
- 2. System will prompt you to change your generated password.
- 3. System will prompt you to accept the TEA Assurance Agreement.
- 4. System will prompt you to complete your security questions.
- 5. System will grant you access into TEAL.

Provided below are more detail instructions to guide you through the TEAL registration process.

After entering the password for the first time, the system will prompt you to change it.

#### **Password Rules**

- \* Your password MUST conform to the following rules;
  - 1) Must be 8-30 characters
  - 2) Must contain all the following:
  - Letters Must have both an upper and lower case letter, at least one upper case letter, i.e. "A, B, C..." at least one lower case letter, i.e. "a, b, c..."
  - Numbers Must have at least one number, i.e. 1, 2, 3....
  - Special Characters Must have at least one special character i.e. #, \*, \$, or @
  - 3) Must not include your username
  - 4) Must not contain variations of the word "password"
  - 5) Must not contain a character repeated more than 2 times
  - 6) Must not be the same as your previous ten passwords
- \* The system will prompt you to complete your Challenge and Response selection. You must select three security questions and provide answers. These questions are required and will be used to recover your password if you forget or lose it. The answers are confidential and will not be used for any other purpose. Later, if you forget your password, click the 'Forgot your password?' link on the TEAL Login page. The system will allow you to reset your password when you correctly answer the challenge questions that you previously set up.
- \* Do not save your password in any browser. If a box comes up asking if you want to save your password, check NO. You are responsible for any use of your login and password, even if it has been saved in your browser and someone else uses it.

NOTE: You will need both your username and your password to access any applications. Do not delete this email without committing your username to memory.

Your username is: Ed.Texan

Your password is:

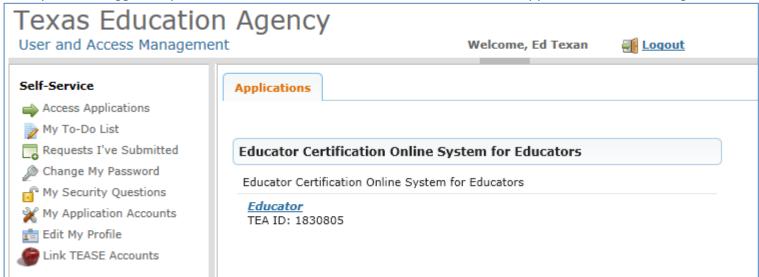
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a. Tip: Copy and paste the username and temporary password, rather than typing them in



b. You will be prompted to immediately change the temporary password and answer three security questions

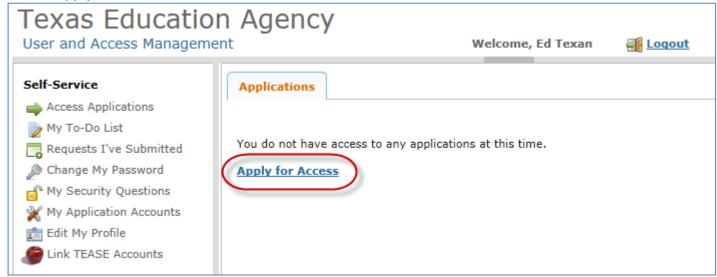
I. Once you have logged in, you will see the Self-Service menu on the left and the Applications tab to the right.



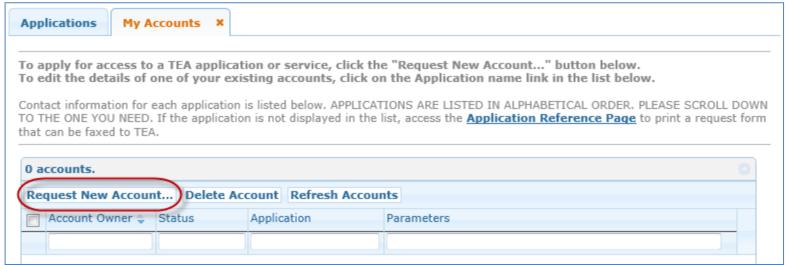
- J. You should see the word "Educator" with your TEA ID number below. If you do not see this option, then complete the instructions in **Step 2**.
- K. If you see the word "Educator," proceed to **Step 3**.

### Step 2: Access to Educator Certification Online System (ECOS)

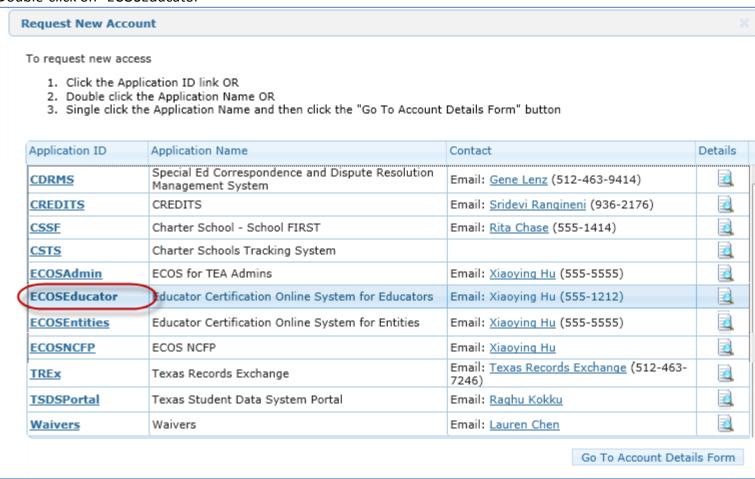
- A. From the Self-Service menu, select "My Application Accounts."
- B. Select "Apply for Access."



C. Select "Request New Account."



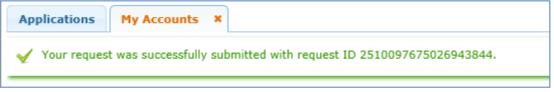
#### D. Double-click on "ECOSEducator"



E. Enter the required information and select "Create."

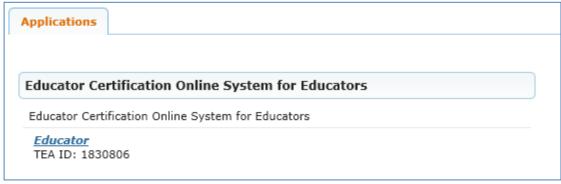
Create	e a new or migrate an existing ECOS E	Educator account to TEAL.		
	Please enter the following information in order to search for an existing Educator account that belongs to you.			
		int, you must use the name that appears on your Texas educator certificate. If the first and last name does not e name in your educator account, you will not be able to access your educator account.		
SSN must be nine (9) numeric characters only. Spaces, alphabetic characters, hyphens, slashes or any other special characters are not allowed.				
If you do not have a social security number, please email <u>Educator Certification</u> and indicate in the subject line "Request a temporary file and TEA ID number." In the body of the email please confirm that you do not have a social security number, and include a daytime telephone number. You will also need to attach a copy of your state issued ID and passport. (please do not select this option if you have been previously assigned a temporary file number in the Educator Certification Online System)				
	SSN or P number:	*****		
	Confirm SSN or P number:	******** Please type the SSN or P number to confirm. Copy and Paste is not allowed.		
		OR		
	TEA ID:			
	Confirm TEA ID:	Please type the TEA ID to confirm. Copy and Paste is not allowed.		
		AND		
	* Birth Year:	1965 YYYY		
	Confirm Birth Year:	1965 YYYY Please type the Birth Year to confirm. Copy and Paste is not allowed.		
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F. You should then see a statement, in green, that your request was successfully submitted.



- a. TIP: If you receive an error, please review the Name Change Information at the end of this document. Your TEAL access name and the name on your certification/ECOS account must match exactly.
- G. Close "My Accounts" by selecting "Done" at the bottom of the page or using the "x" on the "My Accounts" tab.

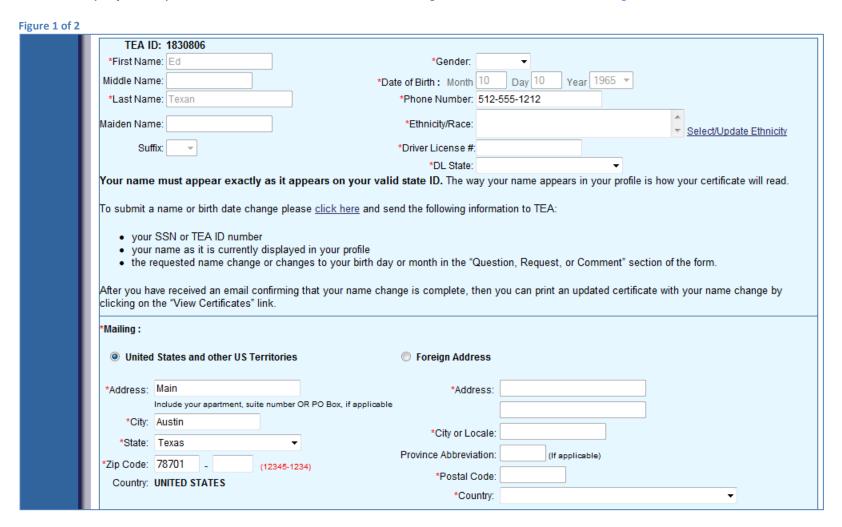
H. On your "Applications" page, you should now see the word "Educator" with your TEA ID number underneath.



I. Proceed to Step 3.

### **Step 3: Accessing your Personal Educator Account**

- A. Click on the word "Educator."
- B. This will bring up your profile page in ECOS. Make any necessary changes and select "Continue" at the bottom to save the changes.
  - a. TIP: This is the profile page from which the testing company pulls your information. Changes, if needed, must be made here so that they reflect in your account with the Educational Testing Service at www.texes.ets.org.





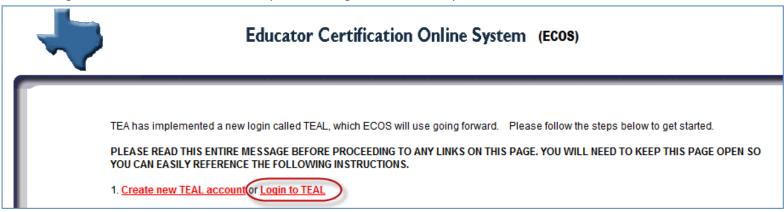
C. You will then see a menu to the left. This is where you may apply for certifications or renewals, view your certificate or test scores, etc.



D. To access your account after your initial setup, go to the TEA website, www.tea.state.tx.us, and select "Educator Login".



E. Select "Login to TEAL" and continue with your existing username and password.



#### **Name Change Information**

To submit a change or correction of name, gender, or date of birth, please email the required information and documents:

- 1. Copy of your state Drivers License or State ID
- 2. The last four digits of your social security number
- 3. If changing a first name, you must also submit a copy of your birth certificate or court name change document
- 4. If you are an out-of-country educator who does not hold a social security card, you may submit a copy of a current passport instead
- 5. A current email address and valid daytime phone number

Please scan and email documents to:

Or mail to:

namechange@tea.state.tx.us

Texas Education Agency 5th Floor 1701 North Congress Ave Austin, TX 78701

Please allow 7 to 10 business days for processing.