

The Texas Education Agency shall establish procedures and criteria for the allocation of funds appropriated under TEC §29.013 to open-enrollment charter schools for the provision of noneducational community-based support services to certain students with disabilities and their families so that those students may receive an appropriate free public education (FAPE) in the least restrictive environment. (TEC §29.013(a))

It is the policy of Chaparral Star Academy Open Enrollment Charter school to use funds allocated under TEC §29.013 are used only for eligible students with disabilities who would remain or would have to be placed in residential facilities primarily for educational reasons without the provision of noneducational community-based support services. (TEC §29.013(b))

The support services may include in-home family support, respite care, and case management for families with a student who otherwise would have been placed by an open-enrollment charter school in a private residential facility. (TEC §29.013(c))

The provision of services under TEC §29.013 does not supersede or limit the responsibility of other agencies to provide or pay for costs of noneducational community-based support services to enable any student with disabilities to receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE) in the least restrictive environment. Specifically, services provided under TEC §29.013 may not be used for a student with disabilities who is currently placed or who needs to be placed in a residential facility primarily for noneducational reasons. (TEC §29.013(d))