

ASCENDER Registration: Enroll a New Student from ASCENDER ParentPortal

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As students are enrolled in the district via the New Student Enrollment wizard in txConnect, administrators must review and accept each enrollment request, complete the student's enrollment and assign a student ID, and provide each student's parent with a Student Portal ID. These steps must be completed in TxEIS Registration.

Prerequisites:

- The steps in this guide must be completed in ASCENDER Registration by a user who has access to those pages. Basic knowledge of the ASCENDER Registration application is assumed.
- Students must be enrolled according to the process described in the ASCENDER ParentPortal Parent: New Student Enrollment guide.

1. Review enrollment request and assign ID.

   Registration > Maintenance > Online Registration > New Student Enrollment

   This page allows you to review pending new student enrollment requests received from ASCENDER ParentPortal.

   As students are enrolled online in ASCENDER ParentPortal, an administrator must review each enrollment request and create a record for each registered student.

   A list of new student enrollment requests received from ASCENDER ParentPortal is displayed.

   - The list can be re-sorted.

     You can re-sort the grid by clicking on an underlined column heading. It will sort in ascending order. Click it again to sort in descending order.

     A triangle next to the column heading indicates the column by which the grid is currently sorted and whether it is sorted in ascending or descending order.

   IMPORTANT: Before accepting new students, campus staff should verify that the student has not been enrolled before. Go to the Student Enrollment page and click **Hist Directory**

to access the Historical Directory, and search for the student.

It is possible that a student was enrolled with a different ID before. For example, the student may have been enrolled previously with a state-assigned ID, but has now been enrolled with a social security number. Check each student carefully to avoid creating duplicate enrollment records.

To search for a new student enrollment record, do one of the following:

Search by Name	Type the student's first and last name.
Search by Key	Type the student's key. This number is generated by ASCENDER ParentPortal when the parent proceeds through the new student enrollment steps.

As you begin typing the name or key, a drop-down list displays records that match the characters you have typed. From the drop-down list you can select the record.

	Click  to view the details of a pending enrollment request. The student's enrollment record is displayed on the Register Student page.

Registration > Maintenance > Online Registration > New Student Enrollment > Register Student

This page allows you to enroll a new student using the information that was entered by the student's parent/guardian in ASCENDER ParentPortal.

This initial data serves as the basis for a complete student record.

NOTE: Verify whether **Auto Assign Student ID** is set to automatic or manual assignment of student ID numbers on Maintenance > District Profile > District Maintenance > Control Info.

Student ID	Verify whether student IDs are automatically or manually assigned, as indicated in the **Auto Assign Student ID** field on Maintenance > District Information > Control Info. • If student IDs are manually assigned, type a student ID. Leading zeros are not required. • If student IDs are automatically assigned, leave the field blank, and the system will assign the next available student ID when the record is saved.
Student Key	The enrollment key assigned to the student's enrollment record in ASCENDER ParentPortal is displayed.

❑ Under **Demographic Information**:

Grade	Select the student's grade level for the current school year.
Entry Dt	Type the student's enrollment date, which is the first date the student attended the campus. For students enrolling in the next school year, the **Entry Dt** should be the *last day of school* in the current school year. When Annual Student Data Rollover occurs, this date will be converted to the first day of school in the upcoming school year.
Track	Select the attendance track in which to enroll the student.
Elig Code	Select the student's ADA eligibility code.
Next Year Student	Select if the student is enrolling for the next school year. If selected, the student's record will be saved with a record status *5* (i.e., *not currently in district will attend next year*). Since Annual Student Data Rollover (ASDR) does not promote these students to the next grade level, the **Grade** field should be set to the next year grade level for any status 5 students.

❑ The following fields are populated using the information that was entered by the student's parent/guardian in ASCENDER ParentPortal. **Verify that the data is valid.**

Name	The student's full name is displayed.
Social Security Number Denied	Select if the student's parent/guardian refused to provide the student's social security number to the district. If selected and the student's **SSN** is blank, and **Assign State ID Number** is selected on Registration > Maintenance > District Profile > District Maintenance > Control Info, the next available State ID will automatically be assigned to the new student, and displayed in the **SSN** field upon **Save**.
SSN	The student's social security number is displayed.
Sex	The code indicating the student's gender is displayed.
DOB	The student's date of birth is displayed and cannot be modified.
Age as of Sept 1	DISPLAY ONLY: The student's age as of September 1st of the current school year is displayed.

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<tr><td>Xfer Factor</td><td>If a campus is capped for the current year (i.e., Capped To Campus and Capped Date are set for a particular campus on Registration > Maintenance > Campus Profile > Campus Information Maintenance > Control Info), this field allows you to override the cap when enrolling a student who would otherwise be assigned to another campus.

Select the reason you are enrolling the student in the capped campus. The list of reasons is maintained on Registration > Maintenance > District Profile > Tables > Transfer Factor CY.

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<tr><th>Student's Entry Date</th><th>Student's Physical Address</th><th>Transfer Factor</th></tr>
<tr><td>Before Capped Date</td><td>Exists in Attendance Zones</td><td>Not required</td></tr>
<tr><td>Before Capped Date</td><td>Does not exist in Attendance Zones</td><td>Not required</td></tr>
<tr><td>After Capped Date</td><td>Exists in Attendance Zones</td><td>Code 3 (override capped campus) is automatically assigned</td></tr>
<tr><td>After Capped Date</td><td>Does not exist in Attendance Zones</td><td>Required</td></tr>
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<tr><td>Last Year Grade</td><td>The grade level entered by the parent when enrolling the student via ASCENDER ParentPortal is displayed but can be updated if needed.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Hispanic/Latino</td><td>The field is selected if the student is of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Race</td><td>One or more of the following options is selected, regardless of whether the student is Hispanic/Latino.
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<tr><td>White</td><td>The field is selected if the student has origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Black/African American</td><td>The field is selected if the student has origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Asian</td><td>The field is selected if the student has origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent (including Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam).</td></tr>
<tr><td>American Indian/Alaskan Native</td><td>The field is selected if the student has origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America).</td></tr>
<tr><td>Hawaiian/Pacific Isl</td><td>The field is selected if the student has origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.</td></tr>
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<tr><td>Phone/Address</td><td>
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<tr><td>Phone Nbr</td><td>The student's area code and phone number are displayed.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Cell Ph Nbr</td><td>The student's area code and cell phone number are displayed.</td></tr>
<tr><td>E-mail</td><td>The student's email address is displayed.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Mailing</td><td>The student's mailing address is displayed.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Physical</td><td>The student's physical address is displayed.</td></tr>
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❑ Under **Attendance Zones**:

If Attendance Zones are used in the district (i.e, **Attendance Zone Edit** is selected on Registration > Maintenance > District Profile > Attendance Zones Options), the student's **Physical** address will be validated against the district's Attendance Zones.

The list of campuses in the student's attendance zone are listed.

If the student's **Physical** address is not within a street segment as defined on the district Attendance Zones page, the student cannot be enrolled unless the student has a transfer factor override code.

❑ Under **Contact Detail**:

Up to six contact tabs may be displayed. Information entered by the parent is displayed. **Verify that the data is valid**, and make changes to each tab if needed. You can save changes to all tabs at the same time.

Parent/Guardian	The field is selected if the contact is the student's guardian.
Emergency	The field is selected if the contact should be notified in the event of an emergency.
Receive Mailouts	This field should be selected if the contact will receive student documents (i.e., report cards and interim progress reports (IPRs)). The field is required for a contact who is listed as **Priority**=1.
Relation	The contact's relationship to the student is displayed, such as a relative, doctor, neighbor, hospital, caseworker, guardian, or other medical facility/person. **NOTE:** For a hospital contact, *Hospital* should be selected, the hospital name should be entered in the **Occupation** field.
Language	The language in which the student's documents (i.e., report cards and interim progress reports (IPRs)) will be printed for this contact is displayed. If blank, the documents are printed in English.
Name	The contact's full name is displayed. **NOTE:** This field should be blank if **Relation** is set to *Hospital*.
Enrolling Person	This field is selected if this is the contact who enrolled the student. Only one contact can be an enrolling person.
DOB	The contact's date of birth is displayed.
Phone Preference	The contact's preferred phone number is displayed.
Home **Cell** **Business** **Other**	The contact's home, business, cell, and other phone numbers, including area code, are displayed if entered.
Address	The contact's complete address is displayed.
Migrant	The field is selected if the contact (parent/guardian) is a migratory agricultural worker.
Occupation	The contact's occupation is displayed. If **Relation** is *Hospital*, this field should display the hospital name.

E-mail	The contact's email address is displayed.
Right to Transport	This field is selected if the contact is authorized to transport the student from school. Instructors and administrators are able to view this information in TeacherPortal on the Student Information page.
Driver License	The contact's driver license number and the two-character state that issued the driver license are displayed if entered.
Vehicle	The contact's vehicle make, model, predominant color of the vehicle, plate number, and the two-character state that issued the license plate are displayed.

Information Request	The button is displayed if information about previous special program participation or family members in the military was included. This information is view only, as the student has not yet been registered. **WARNING:** This information is only displayed until the new student enrollment is accepted. Print this information before clicking **Save**; otherwise you must run SRG2300 - Student Information Request to view the information. Click **Print** to print this information. Click **OK** to close the window.
Submitted Standard Forms	Click to view a list of all forms submitted for the student. A pop-up window opens which displays the form name and date submitted. Click **OK** to close the window.
Documents	View or attach supporting documentation.

❑ Click **Save**.

- The student is now enrolled and can be retrieved from the ASCENDER Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment page. You can add additional registration information for the student on these tabs.
- A student ID is assigned to the student.
- **NOTE:** A Student Portal ID is also automatically assigned to the student when the record is saved. It is not necessary to use the Set Parent Portal IDs utility unless you need to verify the student's Student Portal ID.

A warning message is displayed if the student was previously enrolled in the district (i.e., the student's social security number and date of birth match a historical record). Demographic information from the student's previous enrollment is displayed, including the previous student ID.

- Click **Yes** to confirm that this is the same student, and enroll the student with his previous student ID.
- Click **No** to return to the Register Student page without saving, and make any necessary changes to the record before saving again.

Return	Click to return to the New Student Enrollment page to process another student.

NOTE: To retrieve a newly enrolled student who was marked as a next year student:
From Maintenance > Student Enrollment, click **Directory**, and select **Next Year Students**.

2. Print Student Portal ID letters.

IMPORTANT: Before proceeding, be sure that a Portal ID letter has already been created on Registration > Maintenance > Parent Portal > Letters > Update > Letter that includes the nine portal ID variables.

Registration > Maintenance > Parent Portal > Letters > Print > Letter Criteria

This tab allows you to set criteria for printing parent letters for ASCENDER ParentPortal. Each letter provides the portal IDs of the students in one family.

- Letters are printed for active students who have an assigned portal ID.
- A single letter is printed for multiple guardians with the same last name and same address.
- If the guardian has an invalid address, the student's address is used.

Recipient Selection	Select the students for whom you want to send letters to the parents.	
	List of Students	Select to print letters for multiple students who have an assigned portal ID, and then click **Directory** to select the students from the directory. Retrieve and select the student(s), and click **OK**.
	No Letter Sent	Select to print letters for students for whom letters have not been sent.
	Entire Campus	Select to print letters for all students at the campus, even if letters were sent previously.
Number of Students Selected	If you selected **List of Students**, the number of selected students is displayed.	

Letter Sort Order	Select the order in which you want the letters printed.	
	Sort by Parent Zip Code	Select to sort letters by parent zip code.
	Sort by Student Name	Select to sort letters by student name.
Run Criteria	**Letter Template**	Select the letter type. The letter types created on Maintenance > Parent Portal > Letters > Update > Directory are listed.
	Campus	Select the campus for which letters are being printed.

❑ Click **Run**.

- A pop-up message displays your selection criteria and prompts you to continue. Click **Yes**.
- The Print Letters tab is displayed.

Registration > Maintenance > Parent Portal > Letters > Print > Print Letters

The letters open in PDF format in an embedded Adobe Reader window.

From the Adobe Reader toolbar, you can print the letters, save them to your PC, and perform other functions allowed by Adobe Reader.

If more than one student was selected, only the first student's letter is visible, but the remainder of the letters follow. You can use the scroll bar to view all letters.

Mark as Printed	Click to indicate that you have printed the letter. Once clicked, when you open the **Directory** from the Letter Criteria tab, the system date (i.e., current date) will be displayed in the **Prt Date** field for each student for whom the letter was printed.
Preview Labels	Click to print mailing labels for the letters, which are printed in the same order as the letters. The labels use the Avery 5162 template (14 labels per page). Only the parent name is printed on the labels. The student address is only used if there is no parent address. **NOTE:** The letters and labels may be sorted by either zip code or student name, but the student's name is not printed on the labels. It is recommended that you include the parent name in the letter heading so that it will be easier to match the label with the letter. Click **Close Labels** to return to the letter preview.

Preview Errors	If errors are found, click to view the errors. Review, save, and/or print the report. **Review the report using the following buttons**: Click First to go to the first page of the report. Click ◀ to go back one page. Click ▶ to go forward one page. Click Last to go to the last page of the report. **The report can be viewed and saved in various file formats**. Click  to save and print the report in PDF format. Click  to save and print the report in CSV format. (This option is not available for all reports.) When a report is exported to the CSV format, the report headers may not be included. Click  to close the report window. Some reports may have a **Close Report**, **Exit**, or **Cancel** button instead. The following error reports are generated: • Invalid addresses for parent or student • Students without a parent/guardian who receives mailouts • Students without an assigned portal ID Click **Close Errors** to close the error report.
Return	Click to return to the Letter Criteria tab. A message is displayed notifying you that the letters will be cleared when you return to the Letter Criteria tab. Click **Yes** to continue.

❑ Distribute the letters to parents.

What Happens Next?

With a valid Student Portal ID, parents can add a student to their ParentPortal account.

If the district has enabled parents to complete online registration and/or update a student's current year data, a parent can complete online registration and make changes to his student's data using forms available via ParentPortal.

- See the ASCENDER ParentPortal Parent: Registration and Data updates guide.

As parents update data for their students, an administrator must review and approve each change.

- See the ASCENDER Registration: Approve Student Registration & Data Changes and Monitor Forms guide.


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