

## FY26 Non-Public School Survey Instructions

### Overview

The FY26 Non-Public School Survey for non-public school participation in equitable services will open on **Jan. 4, 2025**, and is due **Feb. 18, 2025**. The survey will be entered directly in ePlan, will be used to inform allocations for non-public schools for Titles I, II, III, and IV, and IDEA, and will populate in the FY26 Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) in spring 2025. **All local education agencies (LEAs) must submit a survey**, even if the LEA does not have or serve a non-public school. The survey allows an LEA to indicate if this is the case.

### Intent to Participate

As a reminder, prior to the completion of this survey, LEAs should have sent the [Intent to Participate](#) forms to non-public schools regarding participation in eligible programs by Dec. 1, 2024. These forms must be sent to non-public schools located in the LEA and, for Title I, to non-public schools with enrolled students who live in the LEA's attendance areas. LEAs should also confirm that their non-public/private school list in the [School Directory](#) is accurate. Please report any directory updates to [Private.Schools@tn.gov](mailto:Private.Schools@tn.gov).

The [Intent to Participate](#) form is available in TDOE Resources in ePlan > Equitable Services to Non-Public Schools (CTE/ESSA/IDEA) > ESSA Non-Public Schools Information > Equitable Services Samples and Templates. These forms are due to the LEA from non-public schools no later than **Jan. 15, 2025**, and should inform the completion of the Non-Public School Survey.

### Survey Location and Completion

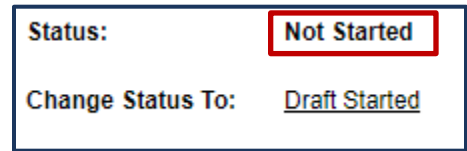
The Non-Public School Survey is located in ePlan under *Data and Information*. Please ensure you select **2026** as the year. The Non-Public School Survey will automatically import each of the LEA's non-public schools that were listed from the previous year's non-public survey. Once imported, the school list can be modified by the user in ePlan—this will be important for LEAs that share a non-public school with another LEA. If a non-public school needs to be added to the LEA's list of non-public schools, please contact [Michelle.Harless@tn.gov](mailto:Michelle.Harless@tn.gov).

When completing the survey, please ensure all selections match and are correct prior to submission. In particular:

- For all schools marked as participating in any of the grants, please make sure to enter the correct student data/numbers in the corresponding column (see 2b. below).
- If the school is participating in Title I or III, there should be a student count in the corresponding column(s). For non-participation, there should *not* be a student count in the corresponding column.
- LEAs that do not have or serve a non-public school must indicate this with the available checkbox and follow the steps to submit the survey.

### Survey Completion Steps

1. Access the Survey and set the status to **Draft Started**.



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Change Status To: **Draft Started**

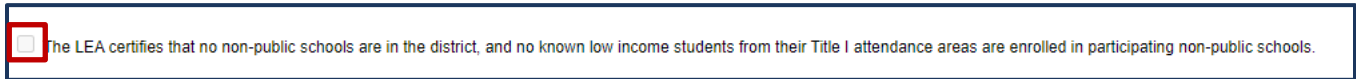
2a. Complete the Survey – for LEAs with No Non-Public Schools

LEAs with no non-public schools and with no eligible students attending participating non-public schools **must** complete a survey. To complete the survey, click on **Non-Public/Private Schools** and check the box at the top of the page that states,




Non-Public/Private Schools  
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“The LEA certifies that no non-public schools are in the district, and no known low income students from their Title I attendance areas are enrolled in participating non-public schools.”

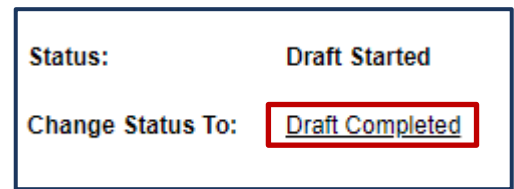


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Once this box is checked, navigate back to the Sections page. If desired, the Create Comment feature can be used to offer any additional explanation that may be helpful. Click **Draft Completed** at the top of the page to continue through submission.



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**Create Comment**



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2b. Complete the Survey – for LEAs with Non-Public Schools

Using the dropdown that is populated from the School Directory, enter all non-public schools in the LEA, one per row. In addition, LEAs must add any non-public schools outside the LEA where the LEA provides services to known low-income students from their Title I attendance areas. Click Add Row at the bottom of the school list to add a school.

**Note:** Schools will not appear until the status of the survey has been changed to **Draft Started**.

Please select whether each school will participate and provide the student data only for those schools			
Non-public School Name and ID	Title I	Low Income Non-Public Students from the District Title I Attendance Areas	Academically At Risk Students that Participate in the Program
[dropdown]	Select... [dropdown]	[input]	[input]
<b>Add Row</b>			
Total for each program		[input] 0	[input] 0

For each school that is entered, a **status** must be selected for each program under *Program Participation*. **Please be mindful of the status of each non-public school, as it is important when determining eligibility**

**and participation in federal programs.** The dropdown key is located at the top of the page. The following selections are available:

Participation Type	Dropdown Code
This school has responded that they <b>will participate</b> in the program.	<b>PART</b>
This school has responded that they <b>will NOT participate</b> in the program.	<b>NOT PART</b>
This school has <b>not replied</b> to multiple documented requests from the LEA as to whether they will participate.	<b>NO REPLY</b>
This school is <b>ineligible for the program</b> because it is a for-profit organization.	<b>PROFIT</b>
This school is <b>ineligible for the program</b> because it is a Category I Special Purpose School.	<b>CAT I-SP</b>
The LEA does not have this discretionary grant.	<b>NO GRANT</b>
(For IDEA Preschool ONLY) – this school does not serve preschool students.	<b>NIPK</b>

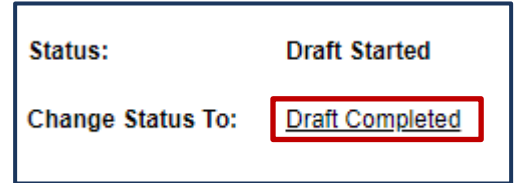
Please check for consistency throughout the survey. For example:

- Wherever PART is selected for a title program, the corresponding columns must be completed with a number of students (e.g., where PART is selected for Title I, a student count **must** be entered into the *Low Income* and the *Academically At Risk* columns). See the table below for all requirements.

Where PART is selected in this program:	Enter a student count in this column:
Title I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• K-12 Low Income Non-public Students from the LEA Title I Attendance Areas</li> <li>• Academically At Risk Students Who Participate in the Program</li> </ul>
Title I-C	K-12 Migratory Students Enrolled at the Non-public School
Title II-A	K-12 Non-public Total Enrollment
Title III-A	K-12 English Learners Enrolled at the Non-public School
Title IV-A	K-12 Non-public Total Enrollment
21st Century	K-12 Non-public Total Enrollment

- For schools that are marked for non-participation (**NOT PART, NO REPLY, PROFIT, NO GRANT, or NIPK**) in all grants, there should *not* be a student count in any of the columns.

Once all sections of the survey are completed, navigate back to the [Sections](#) page. If desired, the [Create Comment](#) feature can be used to offer any additional explanation that may be helpful. Click **Draft Completed** at the top of the page to continue through submission.



## Contact

For questions related to the Non-Public School Survey, please contact [Michelle.Harless@tn.gov](mailto:Michelle.Harless@tn.gov).