Each *Teaching Excellence* certification teacher is required to complete a Code of Ethics training that aligns to the Texas State Code of Ethics and Standard Practices for Texas Educators. **Please complete the following tasks and submit to** [**teaching.excellence@yesprep.org**](mailto:teaching.excellence@yesprep.org) **by August 1st, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.**

**Quick Overview of the Code of Ethics and Standard Practices for Texas Educators:**

* The Code of Ethics and Standard Practices for Texas Educators (the “Code of Ethics”) is found in the Texas Administrative Code at Title 19, Part 7, Chapter 247 and Chapter 249.
* The actual Code of Ethics appears at Rule §247.2.
* The Code of Ethics is promulgated and enforced by the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC), the same state governmental body responsible for regulating teacher certification. SBEC is part of Texas Education Agency (TEA) and serves as the governing board for the TEA. Think of SBEC as the decision-making entity and TEA as the enforcer of those rules & regulations.
* SBEC requires this session for anyone seeking certification.
* You agree to be bound by the Code of Ethics as a condition of being both an educator in the State of Texas and being certified in the *Teaching Excellence* program.
* The Code of Ethics is made up of 29 standards, each of which has the force of law, and can give rise to investigations and enforcement proceedings undertaken by SBEC.
* The Code of Ethics is covered on the Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities (PPR) exam, which all candidates for Texas teacher certification must pass (you will learn more about this in December).
* The Texas Code of Ethics is made up of three components, including:
  + State Standards
  + District, School, & ACP Policies
  + Enforcement
* The Standards and aligning policies can be found at:

<http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=19&pt=7&ch=247&rl=Y>

**Your Tasks:**

1. Watch videos 1-10 listed on the TEA YouTube Site:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYCCyVaf2g1vuF3qIz1NjEWFeMtxaBMvC>

1. Put your answers for the attached assessment questions based on the videos you watched below. Email your responses to [teaching.excellence@yesprep.org](mailto:teaching.excellence@yesprep.org).

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1. Sign the Code of Ethics Affirmation Letter by following the link below, declaring that you will abide by the Texas State Code of Ethics:

<https://na3.docusign.net/Member/PowerFormSigning.aspx?PowerFormId=9eee2caa-7e19-4c2b-aed3-b71fe334f499>