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# Sec. 1. ACCESS CONTROL AUDITS

The Superintendent, or designee, shall conduct at least weekly inspections during school hours of all exterior doors of all instructional facilities to certify that all doors are, by default, set to a closed, latched, and locked status and cannot be opened from the outside without a key. 19 TAC 61.1031(d)(1)(A).

The Superintendent, or designee, shall report the findings of weekly inspections to:

- 1. The school safety and security committee formed pursuant to Section 37.109, Education Code; and
- 2. The principal or leader of the instructional facility to ensure awareness of any deficiencies identified and who must take action to reduce the likelihood of similar deficiencies in the future.

19 TAC 61.1031(d)(1)(B), (C).

The Superintendent, or designee, shall ensure the results are kept for review as part of the safety and security audit as required by Section 37.108, Education Code. 19 TAC 61.1031(d)(I)(B).

Nothing in UT Tyler University Academy access control procedures will be interpreted as discouraging parents, once properly verified as authorized campus visitors, from visiting campuses they are authorized to visit. 19  $TAC\ 61.1031(d)(1)(D)$ .

### Sec. 2. FACILITIES STANDARDS COMPLIANCE

UT Tyler University Academy shall ensure that each UT Tyler University Academy facility complies with each school facilities standard, including performance standards and operational requirements, related to safety and security adopted under Section 7.061, Education Code, or provided by other law or administrative rule. *Education Code* 37.351(a).

#### a) Good Cause Exception

If UT Tyler University Academy is unable to bring a school facility into compliance with a school facilities standard related to safety and security, UT Tyler University Academy may claim a good cause exception from the requirement to comply with that standard, including for a reason related to:

- 1. The age, physical design, or location of the noncompliant facility;
- 2. The projected remaining use or functional life of the noncompliant facility;
- 3. Availability of funding; or
- 4. Supply chain obstacles.

Education Code 37.353(a).

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If UT Tyler University Academy claims a good cause exception, UT Tyler University Academy shall develop an alternative performance standard with which it is able to comply. *Education Code 37.353(b)*.

## b) Documentation

UT Tyler University Academy shall develop and maintain documentation of implementation of and compliance with school safety and security facilities standards for each UT Tyler University Academy facility, including a good cause exception claimed under Section 37.353, Education Code, and shall, if requested by the Texas Education Agency, provide that documentation to the Agency in the manner prescribed by the Agency. *Education Code* 37.351(b).

## c) Confidentiality

Any document or information collected, identified, developed, or produced relating to a safety or security requirement for facilities is confidential under Sections 418.177 and 418.181, Government Code, and not subject to disclosure under Chapter 552, Government Code. *Education Code* 37.355.

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