## 772 - School for the Deaf

Workforce Summary Document prepared by the State Auditor's Office. For this agency, some employee data includes both classified and unclassified employees.
Based on information self-reported by the agency, the following items are noteworthy.

## Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Employees

The agency's full-time equivalent (FTE) employee limitation increased by 0.7 percent to 445.1 FTEs in fiscal year 2020 compared with fiscal year 2019. Compared with fiscal year 2016, the agency had a decrease of 24.5 ( 5.9 percent) in the total number of FTEs. In fiscal years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020, the agency employed substitute teacher FTEs. Those FTEs do not count toward the FTE limitation.

| FTEs Below/Above FTE Limitation |  |  |  |  |  | $434.6$$\diamond$ | 434.6 | $442.1$ | $442.1$ | $445.1$ |
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|  | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | FY 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |
| FTE Limitation | 434.6 | 434.6 | 442.1 | 442.1 | 445.1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number Below or Above Limitation | -18.5 | -28.7 | -35.8 | -34.4 | -53.5 | 416.1 | 405.9 | 406.3 | 407.7 | 391.6 |
| Percent Above or <br> Below Limitation | -4.3\% | -6.6\% | -8.1\% | -7.8\% | -12.0\% | FY 2016 | FY 2017 <br> FTE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FY } 2018 \\ & \sim \text { FTE L } \end{aligned}$ | FY 2019 | FY 2020 |

## Employee Turnover ${ }^{\text {a }}$

Excluding interagency transfers, the turnover rate within the agency ( 13.3 percent) was lower than the statewide turnover rate (18.6 percent) and higher than the turnover rate of Article III agencies (10.7 percent) during fiscal year 2020. The fiscal year 2020 agency turnover rate including employees who transferred to another state agency or higher education institution was 13.4 percent.
Unclassified employees include substitute teachers, which may skew the turnover rate. Excluding unclassified positions and interagency transfers, the turnover rates were as follows: fiscal year 2016 ( 14.8 percent), fiscal year 2017 ( 16.9 percent), fiscal year 2018 ( 15.1 percent), fiscal year 2019 ( 12.8 percent), and fiscal year 2020 ( 15.4 percent).


## Compensation Information ${ }^{\text {a }}$

The average agency salary of $\$ 46,760$ in fiscal year 2020 represented an increase of 9.5 percent compared with the average agency salary in fiscal year 2016. In fiscal year 2020, 57.5 percent of employees were paid below the midpoint of the salary range in which they were assigned. Total agency expenditures for salaries and benefits were higher compared with fiscal year 2016.



In fiscal year 2020, the majority (67.1 percent) of employees were classified in the following job titles: Resident Specialist (16.6 percent), Teacher Aide ( 7.5 percent), or they were in unclassified positions outside the State Position Classification Plan, such as principals, teachers, educational supervisors, and substitutes (43.0 percent).

## Classification Compliance Audit

As noted in the report titled A Classification Compliance Audit Report on Information Technology Positions at Selected Education Agencies (SAO Report No. 18-701, October 2017), the agency correctly classified 77.8 percent of the 9 employee positions audited.

## Fiscal Year 2020 Workforce Demographics ${ }^{\text {c }}$

On average, employees at the agency were 45.0 years old and had 8.0 years of agency length of service. Of the agency's employees, 63.3 percent were 40 years old or older, and 44.9 percent had fewer than 5 years of agency length of service. The Employees Retirement System estimates that between fiscal years 2020 and 2024, 15.0 percent of the agency's workforce will be eligible to retire (based on fiscal year 2020 data).


Job classification and demographic information was taken from the Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Uniform Statewide Payroll/Personnel System and Standardized Payroll/Personnel Reporting System. Data includes classified regular, full-time and part-time employees and unclassified regular, full-time and part-time employees. Demographic data may appear skewed for agencies with fewer than 50 employees.
${ }^{\text {d }}$ Percentages may not sum exactly due to rounding.

## Veteran Employment ${ }^{\text {e }}$

Effective fiscal year 2016, Texas Government Code, Section 657.004, sets for state agencies a goal of employing veterans in full-time positions equal to at least 20.0 percent of the total number of agency employees.

In fiscal year 2020, the agency's total percent of veterans employed was lower than the statewide average and had decreased since fiscal year 2019.

25\%


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[^0]:    ${ }^{\mathrm{e}}$ Veteran employment information was obtained from the Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts. Statewide totals include state agencies and higher education institutions.

