



# Texas Tuition Promise Fund<sup>®</sup>

The purchase of a Contract is the prepayment, on behalf of the Beneficiary, of future tuition and school-wide required fees at Texas public colleges and universities, and should not be viewed as an investment. If a Beneficiary chooses not to attend college, receives a scholarship, dies, or becomes disabled, or if the Contract is otherwise terminated or cancelled, the Purchaser may receive a refund, which in certain cases may include a portion of the net return or loss on the Plan's investments. If the Beneficiary attends a Texas private college or university, career school, or out-of-state college or university, the Transfer Value is paid. Transfer Value is limited to the lesser of (1) the costs the tuition unit would cover at a public in-state college or university or (2) the original purchase price of the tuition unit plus or minus the Plan's net investment earnings or losses on that amount. Earnings may be paid on a refund if such payment will not adversely affect the actuarial soundness of the Plan. The earnings portion of a non-qualified distribution is subject to federal income taxes plus a 10% federal tax, as well as any state or local taxes that may apply. The Contract Owner has no right to or interest in any investment returns on the purchase calculated; see the Plan Description and Master Agreement at [www.texas tuition promise fund.com](http://www.texas tuition promise fund.com).

## Portfolio Performance<sup>1</sup> as of 9/30/2019

	Total Return		Average Annual Total Return			Since Inception	Inception Date <sup>2</sup>
	3-Month	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year		
<b>Texas Tuition Promise Fund</b>	0.56%	11.77%	3.69%	6.45%	4.72%	6.71%	05/01/09

The performance data quoted represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of the Texas Tuition Promise Fund will fluctuate so that a Contract, when transferred/refunded, may be worth more or less than the original cost. There is no guarantee that all of the payments made to a Contract will be refunded if there have been periods of negative returns in the Fund. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For performance data current to the most recent month-end, call us at 1.800.445.GRAD (4723), option #5.

## Texas Tuition Promise Fund Target Portfolio Allocations<sup>3</sup> as of 9/30/2019

Asset Class	Underlying Investments	Ticker	Allocation
<b>Equity</b>	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund	VSMPX	15%
	Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund	VTPSX	10%
	Dodge & Cox Global Stock Fund	DODWX	9%
	T. Rowe Price Global Growth Stock Fund	RGGIX	8%
<b>Fixed Income</b>	PIMCO Total Return Fund	PTTRX	13%
	Eaton Vance Floating – Rate Fund	EIBLX	10%
	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	VBMPX	7%
<b>Alternatives</b>	Parametric Defensive Equity Fund	N/A	10%
<b>Global Tactical</b>	GMO Global Asset Allocation Fund	GMWAX	9%
<b>Commodity</b>	SPDR Gold Shares	GLD	5%
	PIMCO Commodity Real Return Strategy Fund	PCRIX	4%
<b>Total Percent</b>			<b>100%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Performance data for the portfolio is based on the return of a hypothetical account, including reinvestment of dividends and distributions, net of the Texas Tuition Promise Fund program and administration fees.

<sup>2</sup> Beginning 05/01/09, the portfolio was invested in the Texas State Treasury where it earned daily interest. Beginning 09/01/09, the assets were invested in a diversified portfolio.

<sup>3</sup> Diversification does not guarantee profit or protect against loss.

Portfolio holdings are subject to change and should not be considered investment advice.

There is a one-time, non-refundable Application Fee of \$25 to enroll in the Plan. For more information about the Plan Fees and Expenses please see the Texas Tuition Promise Fund Plan Description and Master Agreement.

The investment percentage amount of the assets in the portfolio will vary over time due to market performance and will be rebalanced at least quarterly to help maintain the portfolio's target asset allocation. The portfolio is not designed to provide any particular total return over any particular time period or investment time horizon. Contract owners do not have a direct beneficial interest in the mutual funds or other instruments held by the portfolio, and therefore, do not have the rights of a shareholder or owner of those investments.

Each underlying investment has its own risks. For example, some underlying investments may invest in foreign securities, which entail special risks (such as currency fluctuations and political factors) and may have higher expenses and volatility. Investments in growth and technology stocks may be especially volatile. The prices of small-cap stocks are generally more volatile than large-cap stocks. Value investing involves the risk that securities deemed to be undervalued at the time of purchase may not appreciate as anticipated. Fixed income investing entails credit and interest rate risks. When interest rates rise, bond prices generally fall, and the underlying investment's or account's value can fall. Derivative instruments, investments whose values depend on the performance of an underlying security, asset, interest rate, index or currency, entail potentially higher volatility and risk of loss compared to traditional stock or bond instruments.

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Some states offer favorable tax treatment to their residents only if they participate in the state's own 529 plan. Purchasers who are non-residents of Texas should consider whether their home state offers its residents a 529 plan with alternative tax advantages and should consult their tax advisor.

Contracts in the Plan are not deposits or other obligations of any depository institution. Neither a contract nor a return paid with a refund is insured or guaranteed by the FDIC, the state of Texas, the Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board, any other state or federal government agency or NorthStar or its affiliates. The contracts have not been registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or with any state.

**Purchasers should carefully consider the risks, administrative fees, service and other charges and expenses associated with the Contracts, including Plan termination and decreased Transfer or Refund Value. The Plan Description and Master Agreement contain this and other information about the Plan, and may be obtained by visiting [www.texastuitionpromisefund.com](http://www.texastuitionpromisefund.com) or calling 1.800.445.GRAD (4723), option #5. Purchasers should read these documents carefully before purchasing a Contract.**

Comments or complaints may be forwarded to the Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Program, Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts at P.O. Box 13407, Austin, Texas 78711-3407, or by calling 1.512.936.2064.

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