

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a Regular meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Burns who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Burns, Dunworth, English, Stafford, and Wright

Board Members Absent: Sosa-Sanchez

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Andress, Brown, Brownell, Garcia, Guajardo, Liewehr, O’Bara, Parham, Petito, Pierce, L. Rainey, J. Rainey, Robinson, Schulz, E. Smith, T. Smith, Simpson, Stewart, Thibodeaux, and Thompson

Others: Cindy Breeding, *Denton Record-Chronicle*; citizens, staff, and students

Pledges The Pledges to the flags were led by W.S. Ryan Elementary School students.

Presentations/ Recognitions Denton ISD is proud to recognize the Ryan High School Lady Raiders on winning back-to-back UIL 5A Division I State Championships. On March 7, 2026, the Lady Raiders defeated the Leander Glenn Grizzlies 45–34 at the Alamodome in San Antonio, capturing the program's second consecutive state title. Head Coach Monesha Allen, now in her 24th season leading the Lady Raiders, was also named the 2024–25 NFHS Section 6 Girls Basketball Coach of the Year — an honor covering Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, New Mexico, and Arkansas across all classifications — building on her recognition as the 2024–25 Texas State Coach of the Year.

A UIL State Mariachi Outstanding, Exemplary Performer is an elite recognition awarded to individual high school student musicians who display superior artistry, technique, and musicianship during the UIL State Mariachi Festival. These recipients, selected by adjudicators for exceptional performance, receive a draped gold medal, distinguishing them from the general ensemble awards. While the contest focuses on the Mariachi ensemble performance, the Outstanding Performer honors individual excellence. Allison Juarez, Ryan High School Varsity Mariachi is our first district UIL Mariachi State Medalist. She was selected as UIL State Mariachi Outstanding Performer on her instrument, guitarrón.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Open Forum	Community members that addressed the Board: Rebecca Bertoni.
Discussion of 2026-2027 Budget	<p>Jennifer Stewart, Executive Director of Budget, provided an overview of historical student data as it relates to the district’s budget. This includes overall enrollment and attendance, as well as specific program elements, and how this data can be used to assist in the 2026-2027 budget process and ensure we align with budget priorities.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Energy Audit Update	<p>Paul Address, Executive Director of Maintenance and Operations, along with representatives from TDIndustries, provided an overview of the utility management processes in all Denton ISD’s facilities from July 2025 through December 2025. The district continues to tightly manage building operations with the goal of reducing utility consumption and costs.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Discussion of Potential Attendance Boundary Modification(s)	<p>Dr. Lacey Rainey, Assistant Superintendent of School Leadership and Academic Programs, provided the feedback gained through the two community meetings held at Paloma Creek Elementary in light of the announcement of the campus closure. Students from Paloma Creek Elementary may be rezoned to attend Bell Elementary, Sandbrock Ranch Elementary, Savannah Elementary or Union Park Elementary.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
4 <sup>th</sup> Period Attendance Report	<p>The purpose of this report is to provide campus and district ADA percentages for the 4th reporting period (RP 3) of the 2025-2026 school year and to compare this data to prior years. This report will also identify current truancy prevention measures being used on Denton ISD campuses to increase student attendance. This was the best RP4 in the past 5 years and every school in the district improved from last year’s 4<sup>th</sup> Reporting Period.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>
Intruder Detection Audit Report	<p>Region 11 is conducting Intruder Detection Audits pursuant to updated legal requirements. To date 29 Denton ISD schools have been reviewed. Further details if any have been provided to the Board in executive session and will be provided to the district’s Safety and Security Committee in an upcoming meeting for the purpose of safety and security.</p> <p>This item is for information only. No action is required.</p>

Board Operating Procedures Update Report Each year, the Board of Trustees selects a committee of three members to review the Board Operating Procedures in order to keep them up to date and reflective of the responsibilities of the members of the Board. The purpose of the report is to review the proposed revisions to the Board Operating Procedures as recommended by the committee. Members of this year's committee are Barbara Burns, Sheryl English, and Tanya Wright.

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Consent Agenda Motion by Sheryl English and seconded by Charles Stafford

To approve (the minutes of the February 24, 2026 Board meeting; Personnel matters, leaves, and absences; Budget amendments as of February 28, 2026; RFP 26002-01 Career and Technology Education (CTE) Supplies, Services, Software, Equipment, & Repair; Purchases in accordance with Board Policy CH(Local); HB 3372 Outside Employment Disclosure(s); Texas Women's University (TWU) Dual Credit Partnership Memorandum of Understanding for 2026-2028; Total Probable Cost and Guaranteed Maximum Price for the McMath Turf and Track Modifications; Library Materials Procurement).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session at 7:01 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 8:28 pm

Motion by Tanya Wright and seconded by Buddy Dunworth:

*To approve the attendance boundary modifications for the Braswell zone elementary schools as presented, in alignment with the district's commitment to excellence in student outcomes.*

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm

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President

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Secretary