



Brownsville Independent School District

Agenda Category: General Function Board of Education Meeting: 11/02/26

Item Title:	<u>Recommend approval for School District Teaching</u>	<u>X</u>	Action
	<u>Permit for Noncore Academic and Career Technical</u>		Information
	<u>Education courses in Law Enforcement</u>		Discussion
	<u>with Brownsville I.S.D.</u>		

BACKGROUND:

Texas state law requires the district to notify the commissioner of education when the district has issued a School District Teaching Permit to teach courses only in noncore academic career and technical education (CTE) based on qualifications certified by the superintendent of the school district and issued by authority of the local district of trustees (TEC §21.055 (d-1)). A "noncore academic CTE course" is a CTE course that is not eligible to satisfy foundation graduation course credit in mathematics, science, language arts, or social studies.

(Please see attachment for more details.)

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approval for School District Teaching Permit for Noncore Academic and Career Technical Education courses in Law Enforcement with Brownsville I.S.D.

Maricela Franco

Submitted by: Director

Maricela Zarate-Puente

Recommended by: Executive Director,
Human Resources

Rosario Peña

Approved by: Assistant Superintendent,
Administration & Finance

Approved for Submission to Board of Education:

Dr. Timothy E. Cuff
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Superintendent

When Necessary, Additional Background May Follow This.

School District Teaching Permit (SDTP)

Noncore Academic Career and Technical Education

Notification from the School District to the Commissioner of Education



Important Note: Entities approved as Districts of Innovation (DOI) that have exempted themselves from certification requirements should not submit this form.

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School District Brownsville ISD	County-District Number 31901	Superintendent's Name Dr. Timothy Cuff
Superintendent's Email tecuff@bisd.us	District Phone Number +1 (956) 548-8000	Board of Trustees Approval Date

Candidate's Information

Last Name Martinez	First Name Jesus	Middle Name
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Teaching Assignment for Noncore Academic CTE Course. A "noncore academic CTE course" is a CTE course that is not eligible to satisfy foundation graduation course credit in mathematics, science, language arts, or social studies.

Course Title (Example: Medical Terminology)	<u>General Subject Area</u> (Example: Health Science)	Grade Level Range (Example: Grades 9-12)
Court System & Practices	Criminal Justice	9-12
Principles of Law, Corrections & Security	Criminal Justice	9-12

Below, briefly describe the candidate's qualifications of subject matter expertise to teach the course curriculum standards being assigned to teach (relevant professional work experience, formal training, industry license, certification, education, etc.).

Mr. Martinez holds a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts in Criminal Justice. He also holds professional certifications in Juvenile Supervision and Juvenile Probation. In addition, Mr. Martinez has been employed with Cameron County as a Specialty Court Probation Officer since 2023.

District Affidavit: Districts shall retain all supporting documents of the individual's qualifications to teach the course curriculum for five years after the individual's last day of employment. A SDTP remains valid unless the district issuing the permit revokes it for cause. An individual teaching on a SDTP is not certified by the State Board for Educator Certification. Any decision the district makes to issue a SDTP rests solely with the district.

Superintendent or Authorized Designee Name (print) Dr. Timothy Cuff	Email tecuff@bisd.us
Signature	Date 11/3/2026

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