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MEMORANDUM

TO: CISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES & SUPERINTENDENT BORREGO
FROM: DR. DEBRA Y. KERNEY, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT
DATE: MAY 15TH, 2026
SUBJECT: CALENDAR ADJUSTMENT FOR ADSY ELIGIBILITY

Administration recommends the adding of a half day to the 2026-2027 School Calendar to be able to qualify for the Additional Days School Year (ADSY) program, which allows eligible PK–8 campuses that operate a minimum of 175 instructional days to generate additional state formula funding for up to 30 additional instructional days or half-days. We currently have 174 days in the Canutillo ISD calendar. Recent legislative updates expanded eligibility from PK–5 to PK–8 campuses and lowered the minimum calendar requirement from 180 instructional days to 175 instructional days. By adding half a day, the district meets eligibility requirements for accessing this additional funding. The date that we would like to adjust is February 12th, 2027, which is currently scheduled under the approved calendar as a full day professional development day. We recommend adjusting this day to be a half day of instruction and a half day of professional development for teachers.

ADSY was established through House Bill 3 passed by the 86th Texas Legislature in June 2019, but was recently updated by the 89th Texas Legislature via HB 2 in 2025, which was after our 2026-2027 calendar had already been approved. As TEA began to educate Local Education Agencies (LEA's) on the updated guidance, the district began considering the possibilities that would be accessible to us by adjusting our calendar. The amount of money that we can generate depends upon the number of days that we apply for reimbursement for as well as the number of students that attend on the ADSY days. Following is a half day funding scenario provided by TEA:

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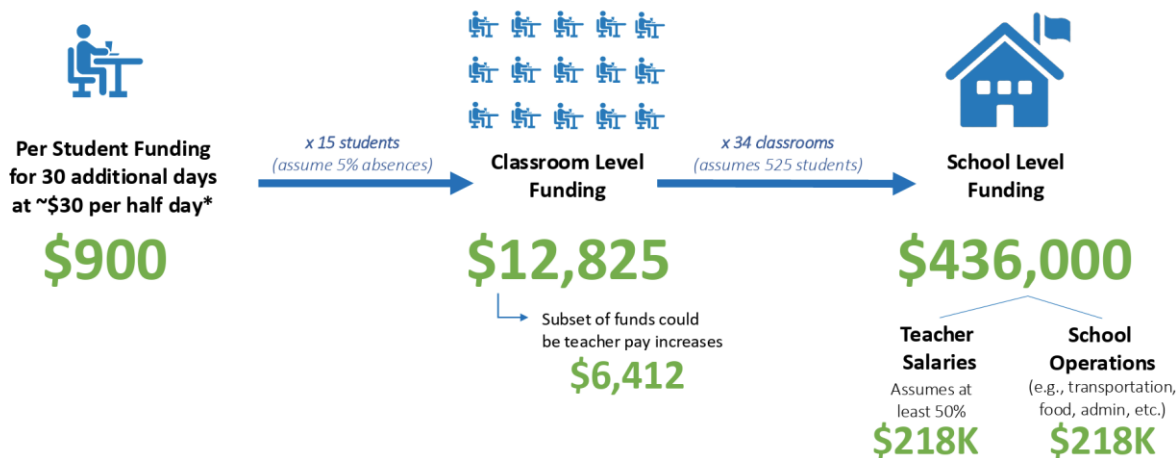


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An elementary or middle school campus could utilize additional funding similar to this scenario:



Under ADSY, districts have flexibility in how additional instructional time is provided. Additional days may occur during summer programming, intersession breaks, Saturdays, or through other district-designed calendar models that support student learning acceleration and intervention opportunities. Campuses may also participate differently depending on student and campus needs, meaning not all campuses are required to participate or utilize the same number of ADSY days.

One important benefit of ADSY is that no formal application process is required to access funding. Instead, districts generate funding through required PEIMS reporting. Districts must report participating campuses, students, teachers, instructional minutes, and ADSY days through the PEIMS Extended Year Submission process.

Additionally, districts participating in ADSY may report eligible transportation miles for reimbursement associated with ADSY programming. This may assist in offsetting transportation costs related to summer learning, intersessions, or Saturday instructional opportunities.

Research presented by the Texas Education Agency indicates that additional instructional time can help address learning loss, provide targeted interventions, and improve student academic outcomes when paired with high-quality instructional practices and strong instructional planning.

We are currently looking at submitting the additional time spent during intersession and summer school for all campuses, to include our ACE program.

Thank you for your continued support of instructional innovation and student achievement opportunities in Canutillo ISD.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Debra Y. Kerney