

# **BRAZOSPORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

April 20, 2026



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BOARD: Action

SUBJECT: Close Rasco Middle School

BOARD POLICY: FDB (Local)

DISTRICT GOAL: Brazosport ISD will exercise fiscal responsibility to ensure financial strength and provide the resources to equip and maintain quality facilities and educational programming.

FISCAL NOTE: \$1.8 Million Yearly

### Background Information:

- Attendance areas for each of the public schools of the District shall be recommended by the Superintendent and approved by the School Board.
- Brazosport ISD's student enrollment has declined from 12,441 students to 10,872 students over the last 10 years, which is approximately \$10 million dollars in less funding received. Public School districts are funded based on student enrollment and average daily attendance.
- Brazosport ISD is currently 268 students less than this time last school year. That is approximately \$2.5 million dollars in less funding.
- Rasco Middle School has declined in student enrollment by 201 students since 2019. Lake Jackson Intermediate School has declined by 165 students since 2021. That is a total decline of 366 students, which is approximately \$3.4 million dollars in less funding received.
- The Lake Jackson elementary schools (Beutel, Roberts, Brannen) have the building capacity to educate the 5th-grade students, and Lake Jackson Intermediate School has the building capacity to educate the 6th-grade students. Brannen is expected to have 50 Prekindergarten students next school year (2026-2027) and would be served at Beutel Elementary School. This would free up additional classrooms at Brannen.
- Beutel and Roberts Elementary Schools will be PreK-5th-grade campuses, which is a common grade configuration. Brannen Elementary School will be a Kindergarten-5th-grade campus. Lake Jackson Intermediate School will be a 6th-8th-grade campus, which is also a common grade configuration. Clute Intermediate School is a 5th-8th-grade configuration, and Freeport Intermediate School is a 6th-8th-grade configuration.

***Our Vision: Brazosport ISD.....Setting the Standard for Educational Excellence***

Administrative Considerations:

- No current student transfers will be revoked, and no school attendance boundaries will be changed due to the closure of Rasco Middle School.
- All current Rasco staff members will have a job next school year. No staff member will lose their job due to the reconfiguration. All staff members will go through their regular appraisal process.
- It is the recommendation of the administration to close Rasco Middle School, and for the 5th-grade students to attend the Lake Jackson Elementary School they are zoned to, and for 6th-grade students to attend Lake Jackson Intermediate School. The Prekindergarten students zoned to Brannen Elementary will attend Beutel Elementary.

Communication Deployment:

- Board Meeting Minutes
- District Website
- Staff Meetings
- Parent Communication
- Local Media

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Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent of Schools