

LAKE DALLAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Trustees



Regular Meeting

Monday, September 14, 2026 5:30 PM

Meetings of the Board are held at 104 Swisher Rd., Lake Dallas, TX 75065

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

Agenda

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum**
2. **Moment of Silence and Pledges of Allegiance**
3. **Student/Staff Report/Recognitions**
 - 3.A. *Student Success:* LDMS Cheer Camp Success
 - 3.B. *Student Success:* LDHS Cheer Camp Success
 - 3.C. *Student Success:* TAEA District of Distinction
 - 3.D. *Student Success:* LDHS BBQ Team Success at Nationals
 - 3.E. *Student Success:* LDHS Thespians - Gold Honor Troupe Recipient
 - 3.F. *Faculty & Staff Engagement:* September Teachers and Employees of the Month
4. **Introductions**
 - 4.A. Introduction of Lake Dallas ISD Police Officers
 - 4.B. Introduction of Johna Straw, Assistant Principal, LDHS
5. **Executive Session**

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- A. Private consultation with the Board's attorney (TGC 551.071)
- B. Discussing or deliberating purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (TGC 551.072)

- C. Discussing or deliberating negotiated contract for prospective gift or donation to the school district (TGC 551.073)
- D. Discussing or deliberating appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignments, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer (TGC 551.074)
- E. Discussing or deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices; or a security audit (TGC 551.076)
- F. Discussing Security Matters regarding Emergency Operations Plans, Safety, and Security Audits (TEC 37.109)
- G. Discussing or deliberating discipline of a public school child or employee complaint against another employee (TGC 551.082)
- H. Discussing or deliberating a public school child which reveals personally identifiable information (TGC 551.0821)
- I. Investigation; exclusion of witness from a hearing during examination of another witness (TGC 551.084)
- J. Discussing economic development negotiations or offer of financial or other incentive to business prospects (TGC 551.086)

6. Public Comment

At regular Board meetings, the Board shall permit public comment, regardless of whether the topic is an item on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. Individuals who wish to participate during the Open Comment portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins as specified in the Board's procedures on public comment and shall indicate the agenda item or topic on which they wish to address the Board. An individual's comments to the Board shall not exceed three minutes per meeting.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 7.A. ***Efficient Operations:*** Strategic Plan - Priority 4: Construction Project Update

8. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Consent Agenda Items are items identified as routine, procedural, informational or self-explanatory presented as a single motion to be acted on at one time.

- 8.A. **Consideration/Approval of the Minutes of the August 31, 2026, Special Meeting**

- 8.B. **Consideration/Approval of Monthly Financial Statements**

9. ACTION ITEMS

- 9.A. ***Efficient Operations:*** Consideration/Approval of Revision to FM(Local) - Extracurricular Activity Absences

10. Calendar, Announcements & Information

- 10.A. **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

11. Executive Session (if needed)

12. Adjournment

3.A. *Student Success:* LDMS Cheer Camp Success

Presenter: Brooke Dickinson, LDMS Cheer Coach

Event: LDISD Board of Trustees Meeting

Date: September 14, 2026



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2026 Cheer Camp @ Great Wolf Lodge

- 1st Place - Camp Routine
- 1st Place - Game Day Routine
- 2nd Place - Sideline/Cheer



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All-American Cheerleaders

- 8th Grade
- Zoe O
- Sofia Bell
- 7th Grade
- Brynlee Williams
- Faith Hopkins



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3.C.

Student Success:

TAEA District of Distinction

Presenter: Jeanette Murray, LDHS Art Teacher

Event: LDISD Board of Trustees Meeting

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What is a District of Distinction?

District of Distinction is an annual recognition program created by Texas Art Education Association and run by the Visual Art Administrators of Texas (Administration and Supervision division of TAEA) to honor school districts that are leading the way in the visual arts. The Visual Art Administrators of Texas recognizes districts with outstanding leadership in promoting the arts in their district and community. TAEA and Visual Art Administrators of Texas looks to recognize districts that are active participating members in the TAEA and beyond the confines of TAEA sponsored events.

Districts must submit data and meet 12 out of the 14 rubric criteria points. A district may receive the award each year that the criteria is submitted, reviewed, and met.

The distinction was first awarded to districts in 2019.



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LDISD wins 8 years in a row!

- This is our 8th year to receive the TAEA award - every year since conception.
- There are over 1,200 school districts in the State of Texas. Only 109 received this year's Distinction (8%)
- Only 16 school districts received the 7 year award, placing LDISD among the top 1.3% of visual arts programs in the State of Texas!
- We receive our official award at the TAEA State Conference in November.
- We're already planning for next year's award!



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What made LDISD stand out?

- No exemptions. We met all 14 of 14 rubric points.
- We didn't just meet, but we exceeded almost every rubric point this year...again!



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Our Amazing Team



Jessica Risenhoover LDMS, Claudia Gil-LDE, Jamie Dennis-SSE, Shirley Frase-CE,
Jeanette Murray-LDHS, Janay Davis-LDMS, Jenny Rios-LDHS



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District of Distinction

TAEA

TEXAS ART EDUCATION ASSOCIATION



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3.E.

Student Success:

LDHS Thespians - Gold Honor Troupe Recipient

Presenter: Melissa Shamp, LDHS Theatre Teacher

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- Thespian Troupe 4101 participated in a nine-month leadership training program.
- During the training, students completed tasks each month to promote theatre in our local communities.
- Notably, our students successfully completed all the tasks, achieving an impressive score of at least 100 points for each month's task.
- Due to their hard work, LDHS has been named a Gold Honor Troupe.
- Of the 600 Thespian Troupes in the state of Texas only 21% have received this distinct honor.



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3.F.

Faculty & Staff Engagement:

September Teachers and Employees of the Month

Presenter: Dr. Kristin N. Brown, Superintendent

Event: LDISD Board of Trustees Meeting

Date: September 14, 2026



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September Teachers and Employees of the Month

RECOGNIZED TEACHERS

- Pricila Triana, LDE
- Salma Echols, CE
- Keli Petty, SSE
- Nicole Probst, LDMS
- Noah Chang, LDHS

RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEES

- Tiffany Hendricks, SSE
- Carylan Bell, CE
- Becky Martinez, LDE
- Venessa Augustin, LDMS
- Leah Kirkwood, LDHS
- Lori Tapley, Transportation
- Ni Zhang, Child Nutrition
- Maria Vargas, Facilities
- Reshma Deshmukh, Central Office



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7.A.

Efficient Operations:

Strategic Plan - Priority 4: Construction Project Update

Presenter: John Modica, Chief Operations Officer

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Any Questions?





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Minutes of Special Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Lake Dallas Independent School District

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lake Dallas Independent School District was held Monday, August 31, 2026, beginning at 5:30 PM at 104 Swisher Rd., Lake Dallas, TX 75065.

PRESENT: President Lance Stacy, Vice President Ginger Collier, Secretary Mark Tucker, Trustees Scott Baird, Bruce Smith, Aaron Appleby, Greg Bartley and Dr. Kristin N. Brown, Superintendent

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum – 5:30 PM

2. Moment of Silence and Pledges of Allegiance

The Pledges of Allegiance were led by Mollie Avelino, Chief of Staff.

3. Executive Session

The open session of the meeting adjourned at 5:31 pm. The Board of Trustees moved to executive session pursuant to one or more of the sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code).

The Board reconvened to open session at 6:29 pm.

4. Public Comment

Persons desiring to address the Board of Trustees were given the opportunity to sign up to speak.

No one signed up to speak to the Board.

5. Public Hearing

Lance Stacy, Board President, closed the Special Meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 6:29 pm

A. *Student Success:* Accelerated Instruction

Dr. Kristin N. Brown, Superintendent, gave the presentation on Accelerated Instruction.

The State of Texas requires school districts to annually evaluate the effectiveness of accelerated instruction programs and hold a public hearing (TEC 29.081)

There were no questions from the public.

B. *Efficient Operations:* 2026-2027 School Year Budget

Dr. Kristin N. Brown, Superintendent, presented the 2026-2027 School Year Budget to discuss the General Fund Revenue, General Fund Expenditures, General Fund Budget, Child Nutrition Budget, Debt Services Budget and Public Budget and Tax Rate Notice.

There were no questions from the public.

Lance Stacy, Board President, closed the Public Hearing portion of the meeting and resumed the Special Meeting at 6:42 pm.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. *Student Success:* Lake Dallas ISD 2025-2026 Accountability Ratings

Jennifer Bryant and Dr. Colleen Grindle, Campus Principals, discussed the 2025-2026 School Year Accountability Ratings.

These ratings reflect data from the 2025-2026 school year providing a snapshot of academic performance based on state assessments, college career military readiness, graduation rates, and other key indicators.

B. *Efficient Operations:* Lake Dallas ISD District and Campus Improvement Plans

Kerri Blevins, Jennifer Bryant, Ashley Fay, Jessica Bovan and Dr. Colleen Grindle, Campus Principals, presented the District and Campus Improvement Plans.

The improvement plans are based on the top four priorities set by the District; Student Success, Parent & Family/Community Support, Faculty & Staff Engagement, and Efficient Operations.

7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Consent Agenda Items are items identified as routine, procedural, informational or self-explanatory presented as a single motion to be acted on at one time.

A. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes of the August 17, 2026, Regular Meeting

B. Consideration/Approval of Budget Amendment #7

C. Consideration/Approval of Purchases over \$75,000

- E3 HVAC/Lighting Scope of Work Service Agreement

Previously approved purchase of \$4 million to work with E3 on a lighting and HVAC project. This request included the contract which included the scope of work to be executed under this project. Included in the scope of work is to upgrade all interior and exterior lighting in the district with LEDs and to upgrade all the HVAC units and Building Automated Systems for the HVAC units at the Middle School campus.

D. Consideration/Approval of Lake Dallas ISD District and Campus Improvement Plans

E. Consideration/Approval of Emergency Operations Plan

F. Consideration/Approval of Denton Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Shared Services Arrangement Interlocal Agreement and Operational Procedures

Lake Dallas ISD is a member of the Regional Day School Program for the Deaf. Since this is a low incidence population, our district does not have a large enough number of students to justify the expense of hiring our own staff to serve this student population and their very specialized instructional needs. Being a part of the co-op allows area school districts to quickly access specialists, such as teachers of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and audiologists, in a cost-efficient manner. These individuals both serve students already identified and assess students who we suspect may have this disability under our Child Find responsibility. In addition, a student who requires more intensive daily services (such as interpretation) may be placed in the program and would attend school in Denton.

Lake Dallas does not currently have any students who require placement in the RDSPD program in Denton. Five students who have a special education eligibility of "Deaf - Hard of Hearing" are currently enrolled and receive services from the co-op while attending their home campus here in Lake Dallas ISD. (3 at SSE and 2 at LDMS)

It was MOVED by Aaron Appleby and SECONDED by Bruce Smith to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion Passed 7-0

Lance Stacy, President – Aye
Ginger Collier, Vice President – Aye
Mark Tucker, Secretary – Aye
Trustees:
Scott Baird – Aye
Bruce Smith – Aye
Aaron Appleby – Aye
Greg Bartley – Aye

8. ACTION ITEMS

- A. *Efficient Operations:*** Consideration/Approval of 2026-2027 General Fund, Food Service Fund, Debt Service Fund and Compensatory Education Budgets
Dr. Kristin N. Brown, presented the proposed budget for the 2026-2027 school year.

It was MOVED by Mark Tucker and SECONDED by Greg Bartley to approve the 2026-2027 General Fund, Food Service Fund, Debt Service Fund and Compensatory Education Budgets as presented.

MOTION PASSED 7-0

Lance Stacy, President – Aye
Ginger Collier, Vice President – Aye
Mark Tucker, Secretary – Aye
Trustees:
Scott Baird – Aye
Bruce Smith – Aye
Aaron Appleby – Aye
Greg Bartley – Aye

- B. *Efficient Operations:*** Consideration/Approval of an Ordinance Setting a Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations and Debt Services for the 2026-2027 School Year
Dr. Kristin N. Brown, Superintendent, presented the Ordinance Setting a Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations and Debt Services for the 2026-2027 School Year for approval.

The following required motion language is being recorded in the board minutes.

It was **MOVED** by Ginger Collier and **SECONDED** by Aaron Appleby to approve the following motion.

Approve On this date, we, the Board of Trustees of the Lake Dallas School District, hereby levy or set the tax rate on \$100 valuation for the District for the tax year 2026 at a total tax rate of \$1.2552, to be assessed and collected by the duly specified assessor and collector as follows: \$0.7552 for the purpose of maintenance and operations, and \$0.5000 for the purpose of payment of principal and interest on debts. Such taxes are to be assessed and collected by the tax officials designated by the District. This tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate. The tax rate will effectively be raised by 0.84 percent and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$0.00.

MOTION PASSED 7-0

Lance Stacy, President – Aye

Ginger Collier, Vice President – Aye

Mark Tucker, Secretary – Aye

Trustees:

Scott Baird – Aye

Bruce Smith – Aye

Aaron Appleby – Aye

Greg Bartley – Aye

C. *Efficient Operations:* Consideration/Approval of Administrator Contract

Dr. Kristin N. Brown, Superintendent, stepped in for Mollie Avelino, Chief of Staff, to recommended approval of Administrator Contract as discussed in Executive Session.

It was **MOVED** by Bruce Smith and **SECONDED** by Scott Baird to approve the Administrator Contract as presented.

MOTION PASSED 7-0

Lance Stacy, President – Aye

Ginger Collier, Vice President – Aye

Mark Tucker, Secretary – Aye

Trustees:

Scott Baird – Aye

Bruce Smith – Aye

Aaron Appleby – Aye

Greg Bartley – Aye

D. *Parent & Family/Community Support:* Consideration/Approval to Donate the LDISD Board of Trustees \$5,000 H-E-B Excellence in Education Finalist Award to Lake Cities Education Foundation

Dr. Kristin N. Brown, Superintendent, presented the consideration of approval to Donate the LDISD Board of Trustees \$5,000 H-E-B Excellence in Education Finalist Award to Lake Cities Education Foundation.

It was MOVED by Scott Baird and SECONDED by Ginger Collier to move the money to an endowment for a scholarship for students.

MOTION PASSED 7-0

Lance Stacy, President – Aye

Ginger Collier, Vice President – Aye

Mark Tucker, Secretary – Aye

Trustees:

Scott Baird – Aye

Bruce Smith – Aye

Aaron Appleby – Aye

Greg Bartley – Aye

9. Calendar, Announcements & Information

A. Upcoming Meetings & Events

Dr. Kristin N. Brown, Superintendent, shared upcoming events occurring between board meetings.

10. Executive Session

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The Board did not move to Executive session.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Lance Stacy, President

Mark Tucker, Secretary

LAKE DALLAS ISD
COMPARISON OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES
GENERAL FUND
Jul-26

	Prior Month YTD	Current Month YTD	Current Budget	Balance	%
REVENUE					
Local Revenue	24,152,909	24,831,975	25,000,876	168,901	99.3%
State Revenue	16,463,088	18,770,327	20,311,938	1,541,611	92.4%
Federal Revenue	59,668	556,586	560,000	3,414	99.4%
Total Revenue	40,675,665	44,158,888	45,872,814	1,713,926	96.3%
EXPENDITURES					
Instruction	21,507,294	23,511,052	25,948,017	2,436,965	90.6%
Inst. Res./Media Services	47,205	50,524	88,077	37,553	57.4%
Curriculum Dev. & Inst. Staff Devel	793,225	863,720	945,270	81,550	91.4%
Inst. Leadership	575,293	627,320	693,665	66,345	90.4%
School Leadership	1,882,141	2,058,851	2,315,757	256,907	88.9%
Guidance/Counseling/Evaluation	1,177,248	1,285,682	1,404,582	118,900	91.5%
Health Services	303,650	331,442	377,771	46,329	87.7%
Pupil Transportation	1,422,920	1,459,613	1,789,222	329,609	81.6%
Food Services	0	0	19,600	19,600	0.0%
Cocurr./Extracurr. Activities	1,163,369	1,262,026	1,416,648	154,622	89.1%
Gen Administration	1,570,402	1,708,940	1,867,287	158,347	91.5%
Plant Maintenance & Operations	4,837,920	5,347,984	6,156,190	808,206	86.9%
School Monitoring Services	664,881	805,871	916,935	111,064	87.9%
Data Processing Services	891,352	939,875	1,169,558	229,683	80.4%
Debt Services	763,238	763,238	763,240	2	100.0%
Facilities Acq. & Construction			647,389	647,389	0.0%
Payments to Fiscal Agents	21,000	21,000	21,000	0	100.0%
Payments to JJAEP Program			2,000	2,000	0.0%
Other Intergovernmental Charges	273,650	273,650	340,400	66,750	80.4%
Total Expenditures	37,894,788	41,310,787	46,882,608	5,571,821	88.1%
Grand Revenue Totals	40,675,665	44,158,888	45,872,814		
Grand Expenditure Totals	37,894,788	41,310,787	46,882,608		
Grand Totals	2,780,876	2,848,101	(1,009,794)		

LAKE DALLAS ISD
COMPARISON OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES
FOOD SERVICE FUND
Jul-26

	Prior Month YTD	Current Month YTD	Current Budget	Balance	%
REVENUE					
Local Revenue	596,944	604,979	802,403	197,424	75.4%
State Revenue	35,929	38,175	52,533	14,358	72.7%
Federal Revenue	1,279,993	1,293,485	1,411,658	118,173	91.6%
Total Revenue	1,912,866	1,936,639	2,266,594	329,955	85.4%
EXPENDITURES					
Food Service	2,047,123	2,074,039	2,441,484	367,445	84.9%
Total Expenditures	2,047,123	2,074,039	2,441,484	367,445	84.9%
Grand Revenue Totals	1,912,866	1,936,639	2,266,594		
Grand Expenditure Totals	2,047,123	2,074,039	2,441,484		
Grand Totals	(134,257)	(137,400)	(174,890)		

LAKE DALLAS ISD
COMPARISON OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES
DEBT SERVICE FUND
Jul-26

	Prior Month YTD	Current Month YTD	Current Budget	Balance	%
REVENUE					
Local Revenue	15,420,423	15,581,231	15,498,058	(83,173)	100.5%
State Revenue	3,787,512	3,787,512	2,848,379	(939,133)	133.0%
Total Revenue	19,207,935	19,368,743	18,346,437	(1,022,306)	105.6%
EXPENDITURES					
Debt Services	3,263,909	3,263,909	18,345,069	15,081,160	17.8%
Total Expenditures	3,263,909	3,263,909	18,345,069	15,081,160	17.8%
Grand Revenue Totals	19,207,935	19,368,743	18,346,437		
Grand Expenditure Totals	3,263,909	3,263,909	18,345,069		
Grand Totals	15,944,026	16,104,833	1,368		

LAKE DALLAS ISD
BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND, FOOD SERVICE AND DEBT SERVICE
Jul-26

General Fund

Cash & Investments	20,160,328
Receivables	4,406,656
Deferred Expenses	200,055
Total Assets	24,767,039

Current Payables	(7,781,806)
Accrued Expenses	(72,194)
Deferred Revenue	(376,865)
Total Liabilities	(8,230,864)

Reserve for Encumbrances	873,985
Undesig. Fund Balance	(16,536,175)
Reserve for Encumbrances	(873,985)
Total Equity	(16,536,175)

Food Service

Cash & Investments	914,713
Receivables	(10,155)
Total Assets	904,558

Current Payables	(62,349)
Accrued Expenses	(28,253)
Deferred Revenue	(99,311)
Total Liabilities	(189,913)

Reserve for Food Encumbrances	(1,010,302)
Undesig. Fund Balance	575,062
Reserve for Encumbrances	(279,405)
Total Equity	(714,645)

Debt Services

Cash & Investments	13,925,753
Receivables	5,216,915
Total Assets	19,142,667

Current Payables	0
Deferred Revenue	(208,448)
Total Liabilities	(208,448)

Reserve for Long Term Debt	(2,655,470)
Undesig. Fund Balance	(16,278,750)
Total Equity	(18,934,220)

9.A.

Efficient Operations:

Consideration/Approval of Revision to FM(Local) - Extracurricular Activity Absences

Presenter: Jeremy Males, Athletic Director/Head Football Coach
and Dr. Colleen Grindle, LDHS Principal

Event: LDISD Board of Trustees Meeting

Date: September 14, 2026



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Extracurricular

2026-2027

Absence

Revision

Proposal



Proposed Change

Remove the fixed numerical limit on student absences for District and Board approved extracurricular activities.

Students would continue to be excused for approved extracurricular participation, with administrative procedures in place to ensure absences are appropriate, necessary, and minimize missed instructional time whenever possible.

Rationale

SUPPORT STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

As a 4A district, we encourage our students to be involved in multiple activities. Many students participate in athletics, fine arts, CTE student organizations, academic competitions, leadership organizations, and other extracurricular programs.

We want students to take advantage of as many meaningful opportunities as possible rather than feel they must choose between activities.

Rationale

NUMERICAL LIMIT IS PROHIBITIVE

Placing a fixed number on allowable extracurricular absences can be prohibitive and counterintuitive to our goal of encouraging broad student involvement. A student who is actively involved in several District-approved activities may reach the absence limit simply because they are taking advantage of opportunities the District encourages them to pursue.

Examples

Student JW plays varsity volleyball. 3 volleyball tournaments a season are standard and important for repetition & development of the team. JW has missed 7 days for volleyball alone. JW is also a varsity track athlete. On average, track misses around 3 days a season prior to the district meet. She is also in FLIGHT and would be a prime candidate of a student that would be asked to help present at a conference that could result in additional days missed.

Student FL is on the softball team. Softball also goes to 3 tournaments a season. Additionally there will be several games during district play that the team will have to leave early for. FL is also in the FFA program and participates in stock shows in the spring. FL will be close to reaching her limit of 10 days for softball alone, leaving her 0 days for her ag showing season.

MS athletes are now in a new district and it requires the teams to leave for every away game by 3:00-3:15 to travel to Van Alstyne, Aubrey, Gainesville. Students in middle school compete in 2-3 sports a year to give them exposure to new things and continue to develop them as athletes. Our MS athletes also participate in Fine Arts programs as well.

Academic Accountability

REMOVING THE NUMERICAL LIMIT DOES NOT REMOVE ACADEMIC ACCOUNTABILITY

- Students participating in UIL activities remain subject to UIL **No Pass, No Play** requirements. Additionally, all co-curricular and extracurricular activities are abiding by the UIL **No Pass, No Play** rule.
- Students remain responsible for completing missed assignments.
- Students must continue to meet District academic expectations.
- Administrators, coaches, and sponsors will monitor participation when academic progress or attendance becomes a concern.

Recommendation

Remove the fixed numerical limits on extracurricular absences and allow participation in District-approved activities based on the educational value and necessity of each opportunity. Grade checks for eligibility purposes ensure students are maintaining academic standards that support growth in the classroom.

This change will better support our goal of developing well-rounded, engaged students while maintaining appropriate academic accountability and administrative oversight.



STUDENT SUCCESS



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EFFICIENT OPERATIONS

Any Questions?





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Official Symbols

The official symbols of the District shall be established by the Board. All District purchases that include District symbols that are defined by this policy and administrative regulations shall be preapproved by the Superintendent or designee prior to purchase. In addition, administrative regulations shall include when exceptions may be made to this policy. All existing items shall be grandfathered until the item is replaced under this policy.

Colors

The District colors shall be kelly green and white; however, black and/or gray may be used as accent colors.

Mascot

The District mascot shall be the falcon.

High School Song

The high school song shall be:

Hail, Lake Dallas High School

Hats off to you.

May you ever find us

Loyal and True.

Glory to the Green and White.

We'll ever be true.

Here's to the school we love,

Here's a toast to you.

Fight Song

The high school fight song shall be:

Oh, when those brave old

FALCONS fall in line,

We're gonna win

This game another time,

And for the dear old school

We love so well,

We're gonna stand right up

And YELL and YELL and YELL!

We're gonna

FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT

For every score,

And then we'll circle round

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

FM
(LOCAL)

And score some more!
We're gonna roll those
(opponents)
In the ground, all around...
FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT!
YEA, GREEN! YEA, WHITE!
YEA, FALCONS!
FIGHT! FIGHT! FIGHT!

**Extracurricular
Activity Absences**

The District shall make no distinction between absences for University Interscholastic League (UIL) activities and absences for other extracurricular activities approved by the Board. ~~A student shall be allowed in a school year a maximum of 10 extracurricular absences not related to post-district competition, a maximum of five absences for post-district competition prior to state, and a maximum of two absences for state competition.~~

[For eligibility of a private school student, including a homeschool student, to participate in extracurricular activities, see FD(LOCAL).]

Exempt Courses

In addition to the courses defined as honors courses at FM(LEGAL), the District identifies Pre-Advanced Placement (AP) courses as honors courses for the purpose of eligibility in extracurricular activities.

**Use of District
Facilities**

School-sponsored student groups may use District facilities with prior approval of the appropriate administrator. Other student groups may use District facilities in accordance with policy FNAB.



September			
Grandparent's Day Lunch	14	Lunch Period	LDMS
LDMS Volleyball vs Van Alstyne	14	5:00PM	LDMS
LDISD Board of Trustees Meeting	14	5:30PM	Central Services
Donuts with Dads & Special Guests	15	7:30AM	SSE
LDMS Football vs Owens	15	5:00PM	LDMS
STEM Night	15	6:00PM	CE
General PTA Meeting & Family Art Night	17	6:00PM	LDMS
LDHS Drumline Contest	19	8:00AM-4:00PM	Pilot Point HS
Falcon Family Night (Curriculum Event)	21	6:00PM	LDMS
HS Tennis vs Ponder (Senior Night)	22	4:00PM	LDHS
7 th Grade Football vs Decatur	22	4:30PM	LDMS
9 th & JV Grade Football vs Springtown	24	6:00PM	Falcon Stadium
HS Volleyball vs Krum	25	4:30PM	LDHS
Varsity Football @ Springtown	25	7:00PM	Springtown HS
Godley Marching Contest	26	8:00AM-11:00PM	Godley HS
LDMS Volleyball vs Gainesville	28	5:00PM	LDMS

MS Choir Fall Concert	29	7:00PM	LDHS
October			
LDHS Fall Choir Concert	1	7:00PM	LDHS Performance Hall
Teacher/Employee of the Month Breakfast	2	8:00AM	Central Services
Faith Leaders Luncheon	2	12:00PM	Central Services
Varsity Football vs Decatur HS	2	7:00PM	Falcon Stadium
Don Hanna Marching Contest	3	8:00AM-11:00PM	C.H. Collins Athletic Complex
LDMS Volleyball vs Owens	5	5:00PM	LDMS
LDISD Board of Trustees Meeting – Team of 8 Training	5	5:30PM	Central Services