

Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Grand Prairie Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Grand Prairie Independent School District will be held Thursday, December 16, 2021, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Board Room at the Education Center, 2602 South Belt Line Road, Grand Prairie, TX 75052.

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.

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E, or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

1. **5:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER**
2. **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**
 - A. Personnel Matters (§551.074)
Appointments, Discipline, Dismissals, Duties, Employment, Employment Contracts, Evaluations, Extensions, Leaves of Absence, Nonrenewals, Proposals for Nonrenewals, Renewals, Reassignments, Retirements, Job Abandonment, Terminations, Proposed Terminations, Requests for Leave of Absence, Requests for Extended Leave Without Pay, Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Resignations, and Settlements.
 - B. Deliberation Regarding Real Property (§551.072)
 - C. Consultation with Attorney (§551.071)
Consultation with the attorney with respect to pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and matters where the attorney's duty to the district, pursuant to the code of professional responsibility of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, or on a matter which the attorney determines should be confidential, including but not limited to, contract negotiations in accordance with the Texas Government Code §§551.071, 551.082, 551.0821, 551.087, legal matters related to redistricting; and *Hawkland v. GPISD* No. 3-19-cv-01822-B.
3. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**
4. **INVOCATION**
 - A. Pastor Shawn Paschal
Inglewood Baptist Church
5. **PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG**
6. **RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

- Presenter:** Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer
- A. Fine Arts Performance - Grand Prairie High School Band
 - B. Holiday Card Design Winner - Natasha Mahmood, School for the Highly Gifted
 - C. Apple Distinguished Schools - Bonham Early Education School and Young Women's Leadership Academy
 - D. GPISD Family & Community Engagement - National Family Engagement Month
 - E. GPISD Campus Spotlight - Rayburn Elementary STEAM Academy
7. **OPEN FORUM FOR AGENDA ITEMS**
- A. Persons attending the meeting may request an Open Forum Sign-Up Card. The card must be completed in its entirety and submitted to the Board President or designee prior to the meeting being convened. The first Open Forum is limited to agenda items other than personnel, public officers, and individual/specific students. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. When more than one individual wishes to address the same agenda item, the President may ask the group to appoint one spokesperson.
8. **ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION**
9. **SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**
- Presenter:** Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools
- A. Update of Current District Events, Student Data, Programs, and Operations.
10. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
- A. Minutes
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 - 1. Employment, Retirement(s), Termination(s)/Proposed Termination(s), Proposed Nonrenewal(s), Request(s) for Leave of Absence, Request(s) for Extended Leave Without Pay, Resignation(s), Reassignment(s), Request(s) for Temporary Disability, Job Abandonment, Proposed Extension of Probationary Contract(s), Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Administrator Contract Recommendations, Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations
 - C. Regular Reports of the Superintendent

Presenter: Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

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 - 3. Revenue & Expenditure Report 10
 - 4. Budget Transfers/Amendments - General Fund #4 11
 - D. Frost Capital Markets Services 12

Presenter: Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

 - 1. Frost Bank Capital Markets Services Resolutions
 - 2. Frost Bank Signature Card
 - E. Vote for Fifth Member to the Board of the Dallas Central Appraisal District 13

Presenter: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

 - 1. Resolution to Vote for the Fifth Member to the Board of the Dallas Central Appraisal District
 - 2. Dallas County Appraisal District 14
11. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**
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Presenter: Amy Francis, Executive Director of Fine Arts

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Presenter: Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer
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	Presenter: Dr. Melissa Kates, General Counsel	
2.	Policy Reference Manual Update 118	21
	Presenter: Dr. Melissa Kates, General Counsel	
C.	Review of the Board Agenda Calendar	45
	Presenter: Superintendent and Board of Trustees	
13.	OPEN FORUM FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS	
A.	Persons attending the meeting may request an Open Forum Sign-Up Card. The card must be completed in its entirety and submitted to the Board President or designee prior to the meeting being convened. This second Open Forum allows individuals to address the Board on any subject, except personnel, public officers, and individual/specific students. Any concerns regarding personnel, public officers, or individual/specific students should be brought directly to the attention of the Superintendent prior to the meeting. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. When more than one individual wishes to address the same topic, the Board President may ask the group to appoint one spokesperson.	
14.	COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS	
A.	Board of Trustees expressions of thanks, congratulations, and condolences.	
15.	ADJOURNMENT	

Regular Meeting

Thursday, November 11, 2021 5:30 PM

Board Room at the Education Center, 2602 South Belt Line Road, Grand Prairie, TX 75052

1. 5:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER

Board President Gloria Carrillo called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. Other trustees present were Emily Liles, Terry Brooks, David Espinosa, and Burke Hall.

2. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 5:34 p.m.

A. Personnel Matters (§551.074)

Appointments, Discipline, Dismissals, Duties, Employment, Employment Contracts, Evaluations, Extensions, Leaves of Absence, Nonrenewals, Proposals for Nonrenewals, Renewals, Reassignments, Retirements, Job Abandonment, Terminations, Proposed Terminations, Requests for Leave of Absence, Requests for Extended Leave Without Pay, Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Resignations, and Settlements.

B. Deliberation Regarding Real Property (§551.072)

C. Consultation with Attorney (§551.071)

Consultation with the attorney with respect to pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and matters where the attorney's duty to the district, pursuant to the code of professional responsibility of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, or on a matter which the attorney determines should be confidential, including but not limited to, contract negotiations in accordance with the Texas Government Code §§551.071, 551.082, 551.0821, 551.087, respectively; *Hawkland v. GPISD No. 3-19-cv-01822-B*.

3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board Reconvened In Open Session at 7:12 p.m.

4. INVOCATION

A. Dr. Bill Skaar
First Baptist Church

5. PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG

6. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer

A. Ranger Civitan - Special Education Donation

B. Native American History Month - Mr. Stephen Silva

C. Hispanic Heritage Month Student Essay Winners

D. Math Innovation Zone Distinctions

1. Sallye Moore College & Career Preparatory
Grand Prairie Collegiate Institute
Grand Prairie Fine Art Academy
Travis World Language Academy
Young Men's Leadership Academy

- Reagan Middle School
- Fannin Middle School
- E. GPISD Spotlight - Young Women's Leadership Academy
- F. Students of Character

7. OPEN FORUM FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Mary Garza

8. ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

No action as a result of Closed Session.

9. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Update of Current Events, Student Data, Programs, and Operations.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Brooks made the motion that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Mr. King seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

A. Minutes

- 1. Minutes 11.11.21
- 2. Minutes 11.30.21

B. Personnel: Routine Action

- 1. Employment, Retirement(s), Termination(s)/Proposed Termination(s), Proposed Nonrenewal(s), Request(s) for Leave of Absence, Request(s) for Extended Leave Without Pay, Resignation(s), Reassignment(s), Request(s) for Temporary Disability, Job Abandonment, Proposed Extension of Probationary Contract(s), Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Administrator Contract Recommendations, Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations

C. Regular Reports of the Superintendent

Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

- 1. Contracts
- 2. Property Tax Collection Report
- 3. Budget Transfers/Amendments - General Fund #3
- 4. Revenue & Expenditure Report

D. Policy Update 117

Dr. Melissa Kates, General Counsel

E. Waiver to Use an Alternate District-Selected 7th Grade Reading Assessment

Dr. Angela Herron, Chief Teaching and Learning Officer and Brittany Kosumsuriya, Secondary ESL Facilitator

- 1. Waiver to Use an Alternate District Selected 7th Grade Reading Assessment

11. PUBLIC HEARING: School FIRST (FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING SYSTEM OF TEXAS)

Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ACTION AGENDA ITEMS

A. 2021-2022 District/Campus Improvement Plan Goals and Performance Objectives

Pat Lewis, Associate Superintendent and Dr. Dana Jackson, Chief of Support Services

1. District Improvement Plan

Mr. Brooks made the motion to approve the 2021-2022 District Campus Improvement Plan as presented. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

B. Employee Contracts

Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

No Action taken.

C. Teacher Resignations/Contract Abandonment

Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

No Action taken.

13. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Frost Capital Markets Services

Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

B. 2022-2023 Calendar Information

Dr. Vern Alexander, Deputy Superintendent of Student Services

C. Zonda Demographics Update

Teri Wilson, Chief of Staff

D. Review of the Board Agenda Calendar

Superintendent and Board of Trustees

Vaccination Clinic November 18, 2021 at Young Women's Leadership Academy 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Thanksgiving Break November 22-26, 2021

14. OPEN FORUM FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Doris Hill

15. COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

A. Board of Trustees expressions of thanks, congratulations, and condolences.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Carrillo adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Approved: December 16, 2021

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education

Special Meeting - Board Workshop

Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:30 PM

Board Room at the Education Center, 2602 South Belt Line Road, Grand Prairie,
TX 75052

1. 5:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER

Board President Gloria Carrillo called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.
Other trustees present were Emily Liles, Terry Brooks, Aaron King, David
Espinosa, Burke Hall, and Bryan Parra.

2. ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP

3. ADJOURN

Ms. Carrillo adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Approved: December 16, 2021

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education



**GRAND PRAIRIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2021**

MAINTENANCE & OPERATION (M&O)

Description	2021-2022	2021-2022	October	2021-2022
	Original Budget	Revised Budget	2021-2022	FYTD Activity
			Monthly Activity	
LOCAL TAXES-CURRENT	\$ 94,405,792.00	\$ 94,405,792.00	\$ 2,501,063.43	\$ 2,501,063.43
LOCAL TAXES-PRIOR YR	500,000.00	500,000.00	126,117.18	320,630.71
PENALTY/INTEREST/MIS	450,000.00	450,000.00	32,147.63	101,636.34
TOTAL	\$ 95,355,792.00	\$ 95,355,792.00	\$ 2,659,328.24	\$ 2,923,330.48

INTEREST & SINKING (I&S)

Description	2021-2022	2021-2022	October	2021-2022
	Original Budget	Revised Budget	2021-2022	FYTD Activity
			Monthly Activity	
LOCAL TAXES - CUR YR	\$ 40,870,000.00	\$ 40,870,000.00	\$ 1,083,455.18	\$ 1,083,455.18
LOCAL TAXES - PRIOR YEAR	100,000.00	100,000.00	53,420.43	134,618.74
PENALTY/INTEREST/DEL	25,000.00	25,000.00	13,361.13	40,704.51
TOTAL	\$ 40,995,000.00	\$ 40,995,000.00	\$ 1,150,236.74	\$ 1,258,778.43

This report is prepared for the Board of Trustees meeting held December 16, 2021.

2021-2022 GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2021

	General Fund Original Budget	October 31, 2021 Amended Budget	10/31/21 Revenue, Expenditures, and Change in FB	% of Budget
REVENUES:				
5700 Local revenues	\$ 100,015,340	\$ 100,015,340	\$ 3,711,583	4%
5800 State revenues	181,729,660	181,729,660	66,461,815	37%
5900 Federal revenues	8,755,000	8,755,000	72,958	1%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 290,500,000	\$ 290,500,000	\$ 70,246,356	24%
EXPENDITURES:				
11 Instruction	\$ 171,498,708	\$ 172,487,905	\$ 14,819,915	9%
12 Inst. Resources/Media	3,781,441	3,847,641	497,601	13%
13 Curr & Staff Develop	3,826,684	3,902,001	413,688	11%
21 Inst Leadership	4,852,154	4,885,578	839,055	17%
23 School Leadership	20,710,542	21,021,908	3,410,112	16%
31 Guidance/Counseling	12,191,860	12,390,810	1,811,596	15%
32 Social Services	283,384	300,984	30,222	10%
33 Health Services	4,270,506	4,323,642	353,440	8%
34 Transportation	6,455,698	6,616,298	1,277,194	19%
35 Food Service	-	203,225	2,474	1%
36 Extra-Curricular	5,657,866	5,665,758	691,698	12%
41 General Admin.	7,496,620	7,599,886	1,379,048	18%
51 Maint & Operations	30,404,957	31,265,752	5,912,476	19%
52 Security	4,072,372	4,224,394	596,901	14%
53 Data Processing	8,474,827	11,577,028	1,926,051	17%
61 Community Services	4,803,519	4,911,673	660,734	13%
71 Debt Service	1,205,400	1,205,400	-	0%
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	-	-	-	0%
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	85,000	85,000	4,938	6%
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	0%
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	428,462	428,464	107,116	25%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 290,500,000	\$ 296,943,347	\$ 34,734,259	12%
OTHER SOURCES:				
7912 Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,298	
7913 Proceeds from Capital Leases	-	-	-	
7915 Operating Transfer In	-	-	-	
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,298	
OTHER USES:				
8911 Operating Transfer Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ (6,443,347)	\$ 35,513,395	

**2021-2022 General Fund
Summary of Proposed Budget Transfers/Amendments
12/16/2021 Regular Board Meeting**

	General Fund Original Budget	November, 2021 Amended Budget	December, 2021 Proposed Budget Transfers	December, 2021 Proposed Budget Amendment	December, 2021 Proposed Amended Budget
REVENUES:					
5700 Local revenues	\$ 100,015,340	\$ 100,015,340	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,015,340
5800 State revenues	181,729,660	181,729,660	-	-	181,729,660
5900 Federal revenues	8,755,000	8,755,000	-	-	8,755,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 290,500,000	\$ 290,500,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 290,500,000
EXPENDITURES:					
11 Instruction	\$ 171,498,708	\$ 172,486,705	\$ 830	\$ -	\$ 172,487,535
12 Inst. Resources/Media	3,781,441	3,848,841	-	-	3,848,841
13 Curr & Staff Develop	3,826,684	3,902,001	26,000	-	3,928,001
21 Inst Leadership	4,852,154	4,888,578	(4,000)	-	4,884,578
23 School Leadership	20,710,542	21,027,908	2,500	-	21,030,408
31 Guidance/Counseling	12,191,860	12,390,810	5,600	-	12,396,410
32 Social Services	283,384	300,984	4,000	-	304,984
33 Health Services	4,270,506	4,323,642	(20,000)	-	4,303,642
34 Transportation	6,455,698	6,616,298	-	-	6,616,298
35 Food Service	-	203,225	-	-	203,225
36 Extra-Curricular	5,657,866	5,661,758	(17,895)	-	5,643,863
41 General Admin.	7,496,620	7,599,886	-	-	7,599,886
51 Maint & Operations	30,404,957	31,269,252	(72,035)	-	31,197,217
52 Security	4,072,372	4,224,394	-	-	4,224,394
53 Data Processing	8,474,827	11,569,028	-	-	11,569,028
61 Community Services	4,803,519	4,911,173	-	-	4,911,173
71 Debt Service	1,205,400	1,205,400	-	-	1,205,400
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	-	-	75,000	-	75,000
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	85,000	85,000	-	-	85,000
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	-	-
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	428,462	428,464	-	-	428,464
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 290,500,000	\$ 296,943,347	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 296,943,347
OTHER SOURCES:					
7912 Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
7915 Operating Transfer In	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
OTHER USES:					
8911 Operating Transfer Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ (6,443,347)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (6,443,347)

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Consent Agenda / Action

Topic: Resolution for Frost Capital Markets Services

Submitted by: Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 12/16/2021

Recommendation:

Administration recommends approval of the resolution as presented.

Rationale:

Administration is seeking additional interest earning opportunities that fall within the District's investment policy. In order to consider the purchase of securities, the District must have a safekeeping account in which to house District-owned securities.

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

CDA (LEGAL)
CDA (LOCAL)

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Topic: Resolution to Vote for Fifth Member to the Board of Directors of the Dallas Central Appraisal District

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 12/16/20201

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the resolution as presented.

Rationale:

In accordance with the Tax Code, Section 6.03, an election or appointment of members to the Board of Directors of an appraisal district must be conducted in odd-numbered years. The term of office for elected or appointed members is two years, beginning in even-numbered years. Each of the Independent School Districts, except the Dallas Independent School District, shall have the right to nominate by official resolution one (1) candidate as the fifth member to the Board. If the Board chooses to submit a candidate, the GPISD Board of Trustees must pass and approve the Resolution.

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

Tax Code Section 6.03



Dallas Central Appraisal District

Date: October 28, 2021

To:

From: W. Kenneth Nolan, Executive Director/Chief Appraiser

Re: Election of Suburban School Districts' Representative to Dallas Central Appraisal District Board of Directors

In accordance with state law, the nomination process for persons to serve on the Dallas Central Appraisal District Board of Directors has been completed. By state law, your agency is required to vote by official ballot resolution, which is enclosed. **You must do so no later than December 17, 2021. If your entity chooses to abstain from voting, please notify me in writing.**

The nominees are as follows. Also included are the names of the nominating school districts.

Nominee	Entity(s) Nominating
Ms. Cassandra Phillips	Duncanville ISD

We have included the nominee bio. If you have questions concerning the candidates please contact the entities who nominated them.

Please act on this election process by official ballot resolution and return the ballot resolution to my office in the enclosed envelope by December 17, 2021. **The 1979 resolution adopted by the taxing units participating in Dallas Central Appraisal District, which governs board elections, requires that a candidate receive a majority of the votes in order to be elected to the Board of Directors. Therefore it is imperative that your taxing unit cast its vote before the December 17, 2021 deadline.**

WKN/arg

Enclosure (Nominee Bio/Official Ballot Resolution/Return Envelope)

cc:

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Topic: Out-of-State Student Travel

Submitted by: Amy Francis, Executive Director of Fine Arts

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 12/16/2021

Recommendation:

The administration is requesting Board approval for Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy theatre to travel to Los Angeles, California, January 13-17, 2022.

Rationale:

Students will participate in workshops, visit working studios and backlots, and network with industry professionals.

Budget Information:

Combined student funding and fundraising. No district funding.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

FMG (LOCAL)

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Topic: Consider Approval of the 2022-2023 School Calendar

Submitted by: Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer

Approved for Transmittal: *Sam Buchmeyer*

Board Meeting Date: 12/16/2021

Recommendation:

It is recommended the Board adopt the school calendar for the 2022-2023 school year as presented.

Rationale:

The Board shall adopt the School Calendar annually.

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EB (LEGAL)
EB (LOCAL)

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Topic: Employee Contracts

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

Approved for Transmittal: Board *Linda Ellis*

Meeting Date: 12/16/2021

Recommendation:

It is recommended the Board consider the following:

- Proposing non-renewal of contracts.
- Consider terminating probationary contracts.
- Consider extending probationary contracts to a fourth year.
- Accepting resignations.
- Consider proposing termination during the contract year.

Rationale:

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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Topic: Teacher Resignations/Contract Abandonment

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

Approved for Transmittal: Board *Linda Ellis*

Meeting Date: 12/16/2021

Recommendation:

Consider whether good cause exists under TEC Section 21.210(c)(2) and 19 TAC 249.14(g) for teachers attempting to resign during contract term.

Rationale:

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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Topic: American Indian/Native Studies Course Update

Submitted by: Dr. Angela Herron, Chief Teaching & Learning Officer and Lanette Aguero, Social Studies Facilitator

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 12/16/2021

Recommendation:

This presentation will provide the Board with an overview and update on the newly designed American Indian/Native Studies course offered at Grand Prairie High School and South Grand Prairie High School.

Rationale:

In an effort to expand social studies high-school course offerings across the state, Grand Prairie ISD was selected to design an American Indian/Native Studies course. For the past three years our PK-12 Social Studies Facilitator, Lanette Aguero, and our American Indian Program Coordinator, Monica Smith, have led a team to develop and refine the standards for our newly implemented American Indian/Native Studies course. Their course development team consists of staff, parents, university partners, and community stakeholders. Ms. Aguero and Ms. Smith would like to provide the Board with an implementation update with plans to request Board approval to submit an Innovative Course application to the Texas Education Agency in January.

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EHAC(LEGAL)

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Topic: Policy Update 118

Submitted by: Dr. Melissa Kates, Legal Counsel

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 12/16/2021

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees adopt TASB recommended policy revision in Update 118. See the attached document for the list of policies recommended for updates.

Rationale:

TASB Policy Services recommended updates to Board policies in response to revised state & federal laws, statutes, and court cases.

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

BF (LEGAL)
BF (LOCAL)

ANNOTATED



Policy Reference Manual **Update 118**

Update 118 revisions to legal policies are described in the update Explanatory Notes.

The *Policy Reference Manual* is a comprehensive collection of federal and state statutes and regulations, case law, attorney general opinions, and commissioner's decisions affecting Texas school districts. As such, it is an excellent reference document that recites a broad array of legal requirements, many of which apply to all districts, others to only a certain few. For this reason, these (LEGAL) policies are not suitable for incorporation in localized policy manuals.

PLEASE NOTE: This information is provided for educational purposes only to facilitate a general understanding of the law or other regulatory matter. This information is neither an exhaustive treatment on the subject nor is this intended to substitute for the advice of an attorney or other professional adviser. Consult with your attorney or professional adviser to apply these principles to specific fact situations.

If you have any questions concerning this update or the *TASB Policy Reference Manual*, please call 800-580-7529 or 512-467-0222.

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Instruction Sheet

TASB Policy Reference Manual Update 118

Policy Reference Manual

Code	Type	Action To Be Taken	Note
ATTN	(NOTE)	No policy enclosed	See explanatory note
A	(LEGAL)	Replace table of contents	Revised table of contents
AE	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
AG	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
AIA	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
AIB	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS UPDATE

Please note:

Changes at Update 118 are based almost exclusively on legislation from the 87th Regular Legislative Session.

Unless otherwise noted, references to legislative bills throughout these explanatory notes refer to Senate Bills (SB) or House Bills (HB) from the 87th Regular Legislative Session. All referenced bills have already gone into effect unless otherwise noted.

For more information about the bills mentioned below and other changes from the 87th Legislative Session, download the free *2021 Legislative Summary for TASB Members* PDF at <https://store.tasb.org/legislative-summary-for-tasb-members-pdf/>.

Changes to the policy manual based on bills from the special called sessions will be included in Update 119.

A(LLEGAL)

BASIC DISTRICT FOUNDATIONS

The A Section table of contents has been updated to include the new codes AIE, Investigations, and AEA, Educational Equity.

AE(LLEGAL)

EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

The objectives of public education have been updated to reflect HB 4509 revisions regarding instruction on American patriotism.

AG(LLEGAL)

HOME-RULE DISTRICTS

Provisions on home rule districts have been updated to reflect the applicability of Education Code Chapter 39 and special investigations (SB 1365) and parental options to retain students (SB 1697) for these districts.

AIA(LLEGAL)

ACCOUNTABILITY: ACCREDITATION AND PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Details regarding accountability performance ratings have been added from SB 1365, including the effects of "Not Rated" and D ratings.

AIB(LLEGAL)

ACCOUNTABILITY: PERFORMANCE REPORTING

Revisions to the quality of learning indicators are from HB 4545.

AIC(LLEGAL)

ACCOUNTABILITY: INTERVENTIONS AND SANCTIONS

Significant changes from the 87th Legislature, Regular Session address:

- The authority of conservators, management teams, and boards of managers;
- Interventions and consequences for D ratings;
- Revisions regarding campus turnaround plans;
- Appeals of interventions and sanctions; and
- New intervention programs, including designation as a resource campus and required compliance with the strong foundations grant program requirements.

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We have also added an existing prohibition on student trustees participating in a closed board meeting when a personnel matter is being considered.

Provisions on monitoring reviews and on-site investigations have been moved to AIE, Investigations.

AIE(LLEGAL) ACCOUNTABILITY: INVESTIGATIONS

Provisions on special investigations (formerly *special accreditation investigations*) and monitoring reviews and activities have been revised as a result of SB 1365 and moved to this new code on investigations.

BA(LLEGAL) BOARD LEGAL STATUS

The provision regarding the board's governance authority has been moved to BAA(LLEGAL), which addresses the board's powers and duties.

BAA(LLEGAL) BOARD LEGAL STATUS: POWERS AND DUTIES

The provision regarding the board's governance authority has been moved from BA(LLEGAL) and revised to better reflect statutory wording.

SB 1365 adds exceptions to the board's exclusive power to govern and oversee the management of the district to address the appointment of a board of managers.

Provisions on the board's authority related to district property have been deleted, as they are included at other codes.

BBA(LLEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: ELIGIBILITY/QUALIFICATIONS

Changes to this legally referenced policy include:

- Clarification regarding felony convictions for eligibility and service as a board member (HB 1540 and Attorney General Opinion KP-0251); and
- Revisions to the definition of "residence" (SB 1111).

BBBA(LLEGAL) ELECTIONS: CONDUCTING ELECTIONS

Provisions updated in accordance with HB 3107 include those related to election orders, election notices, filing information, delivery or submission of election documents, drawings to determine the order of names on the ballot, and temporary branch polling places.

SB 1116 requires a new internet posting 21 days before election day with information about the upcoming election.

Requirements regarding early voting rosters have been updated in accordance with HBs 1382 and 1622.

BBBB(LLEGAL) ELECTIONS: POST-ELECTION PROCEDURES

HB 3107 clarifies processes for tied votes and runoff elections.

SB 1116 includes a new requirement to post online detailed information on election results.

BBBD(LLEGAL) ELECTIONS: CAMPAIGN ETHICS

Amended Ethics Commission rules change the definition of "political advertising" to address text messages.

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BBD(LEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: TRAINING AND ORIENTATION

The State Board of Education must require school safety training for trustees per HB 690 and work with the Texas School Safety Center to develop curriculum and materials by January 1, 2022.

BBFA(LEGAL) ETHICS: CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

A definition of "contract" has been added to assist with application of conflicts disclosure provisions. Other provisions have been reordered, reworded, and removed for readability.

BDF(LEGAL) BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION: CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES

HB 1525 imposes new meeting requirements for school health advisory councils, including posting of meeting details in advance of meetings and preparing and posting meeting minutes and recordings.

CBA(LEGAL) STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUE SOURCES: STATE

An existing provision regarding the purpose of the Foundation School Program has been added.

CBB(LEGAL) STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUE SOURCES: FEDERAL

We have referenced an existing provision that prohibits the use of federal loan or grant funds to procure or obtain foreign telecommunications equipment.

CCG(LEGAL) LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES: AD VALOREM TAXES

Provisions on ad valorem taxes were affected by several bills.

- HB 1525 includes exceptions to the prohibition on levying a maintenance tax at a rate with the intent to create a surplus in maintenance tax revenue to pay the district's debt service. We have also added a reference to the consequences of violating the prohibition without an applicable exception.
- SB 1438 addresses the calculation and adoption of tax rates in a disaster area.

Because provisions permitting a district to adopt a tax rate before adopting a budget no longer align with current statutes and TEA processes for calculating the maximum compressed rate, they have been deleted from the policy.

CCGA(LEGAL) AD VALOREM TAXES: EXEMPTIONS AND PAYMENTS

Legislation affected several provisions on tax exemptions and payments:

- SB 1427 clarifies that the temporary exemption for qualified property damaged by disaster applies only to physical damage.
- SB 1438 repeals the provisions permitting a governing body to adopt a temporary exemption for qualified property damaged by disaster, making the exemption automatic.
- HB 988 addresses exemptions for goods-in-transit when the district is in a disaster area.
- SB 742 expands the existing provision regarding installment payments in a disaster area to include property in an *emergency* area.

CCH(LEGAL) LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES: APPRAISAL DISTRICT

A recent attorney general opinion clarifies that an employee of an appraisal district may not serve as a trustee in a school district that is a participating entity in the appraisal district.

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HB 988 creates a criminal offense for a board member, officer, or employee of a participating taxing unit, such as a school district, who communicates with the appraisal district to influence a property's appraisal value unless the person owns or leases the property.

The circumstances under which a person is ineligible to serve on the board of directors of an appraisal district were revised by SB 63, and additional detail on eligibility restrictions have been added from existing law.

Provisions on adjusting the number of appraisal board members in special circumstances have been removed.

CDC(LEGAL) OTHER REVENUES: GIFTS AND SOLICITATIONS

HB 1525 requires a district to accept donations from a parent-teacher organization or association to fund supplemental educational staff positions and spend the donation for the designated purpose.

Under HB 3979, a district is prohibited from accepting private funding for curriculum or professional development for a course as described by Education Code 28.002(h-3)(3), which pertains to certain social studies course content and requirements.

CE(LEGAL) ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET

SB 1365 prohibits use of local funds to initiate or maintain an action against the state or officer of the state arising out of a decision, order, or determination that is final and unappealable under the Texas Education Code, unless specifically authorized.

The bill also creates a criminal offense for a board member who votes to approve an expenditure in violation of an Education Code provision for a purpose for which the funds may not be spent.

CFA(LEGAL) ACCOUNTING: FINANCIAL REPORTS AND STATEMENTS

A reference to the updated *Financial Accountability System Resource Guide*, adopted June 2021, has been added.

CFC(LEGAL) ACCOUNTING: AUDITS

A reference to the updated *Financial Accountability System Resource Guide*, adopted June 2021, has been added.

CH(LEGAL) PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION

The Professional Services Procurement Act was revised to address procurement of services by forensic analysts and science experts (HB 3774) and physicians, optometrists, and registered nurses under certain circumstances (SB 799).

A definition of a "contingent fee contract" for legal services has been added from SB 1821, and other revisions on this topic are from HB 1428.

SB 799 also amends provisions on management fees under cooperative purchasing contracts.

CHE(LEGAL) PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION: VENDOR DISCLOSURES AND CONTRACTS

Districts are prohibited from entering into certain contracts with a company for goods and services unless the contract contains written verification that the company:

- Does not boycott energy companies, as described (SB 13); and
- Does not discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association, as described (SB 19).

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Existing statutory provisions on vendor conflict of interest questionnaires have been added for completeness.

CHF(LLEGAL) PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION: PAYMENT PROCEDURES

HB 1476 imposes additional requirements on districts regarding disputed invoices with vendors.

CHG(LLEGAL) PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION: REAL PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS

Revisions to the annual eminent domain reporting requirements have been added from SB 157.

CHH(LLEGAL) PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION: FINANCING PERSONAL PROPERTY PURCHASES

SB 58 adds cloud computing services to the definition of personal property under the Public Property Finance Act.

Existing legal sources related to the Public Property Finance Act have been added for completeness and address lease-purchase contracts and fair processes for competitive bidding.

CK(LLEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT

Changes from HB 3597 include the following:

- A district will have three, not six, months to respond to a notification from the Texas School Safety Center (TxSSC) that the district failed to report the results of its safety audit.
- A copy of a memorandum of understanding or mutual aid agreement between a district and another entity addressing school safety and security issues provided to the TxSSC is confidential and not subject to disclosure under the Public Information Act.

CKA(LLEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: INSPECTIONS

Extensive revisions to this legally referenced policy on asbestos are a result of amended Texas Asbestos Health Protection rules effective July 8, 2021.

CKB(LLEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: ACCIDENT PREVENTION AND REPORTS

HB 3597 requires the commissioner of education in consultation with other relevant entities to adopt rules on emergency drills and exercises. The previous Administrative Code provisions have been removed pending development of the new rules.

Before a district may conduct an active threat exercise, the district must comply with new notice provisions and other requirements in accordance with SB 168. The [Regulations Resource Manual](#) includes a sample notification form.

CKC(LLEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: EMERGENCY PLANS

Legislative cleanup resulted in several revisions to this legally referenced policy on emergency plans:

- HB 3607 removes a reference to an expired statute;
- HB 3597 clarifies that a multihazard emergency operations plan must include responding to a train derailment if a district *facility*, rather than a *school*, is within 1000 yards of a railroad track; and

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- HB 3597 corrects a reference to the *five*, not *four*, phases of emergency management to be addressed in a multihazard emergency operations plan.

CKD(LLEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: EMERGENCY MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURES

Although still required, the annually provided instruction on cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automated external defibrillators no longer has to meet guidelines under the Health and Safety Code. (SB 199)

CKE(LLEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: SECURITY PERSONNEL

HB 1788 addresses a school district's immunity from liability for damages resulting from a reasonable action by security personnel to maintain safety at a school campus, including actions relating to possession or use of a firearm. The district also has immunity from liability for any reasonable action taken by a district employee who has written permission from the board to carry a firearm on campus.

We have revised the provisions on authorizing handguns from Attorney General Opinion GA-1051 in light of the repeal of Penal Code 46.035 by HB 1927.

CKEA(LLEGAL) SECURITY PERSONNEL: COMMISSIONED PEACE OFFICERS

SB 24 adds new pre-employment procedures that law enforcement agencies must follow before hiring a licensed peace officer.

If the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) provides model policies on the topics required in law, a law enforcement agency must, within 180 days of TCOLE providing the policies, adopt a policy on the required topics and may adopt the model policies. (HB 3712)

A law enforcement agency that intends to use a drone for law enforcement purposes must, no later than January 1, 2022, adopt a policy regarding the use of force by means of a drone. (HB 1758)

HB 929 amends existing provisions on body-worn cameras and requires an officer to keep the camera activated during an investigation in which the officer is participating.

CKEB(LLEGAL) SECURITY PERSONNEL: SCHOOL MARSHALS

SB 741 permits a school marshal to carry a concealed handgun and eliminates the previous requirement for the firearm to be locked in a secure safe within the marshal's immediate reach if the marshal has direct, regular contact with students.

CKEC(LLEGAL) SECURITY PERSONNEL: SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

SB 1191 amends the definition of a school resource officer to exclude a peace officer who only provides services at extracurricular activities.

CLA(LLEGAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT: SECURITY

A new requirement to post human trafficking warning signs has been added from SB 1831.

CLE(LLEGAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT: FLAG DISPLAYS

Pursuant to SB 797, schools must display in each building a poster or framed copy of the national motto that also includes representations of the U.S. and state flags if donated or purchased from private donations.

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CMD(LLEGAL) EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES MANAGEMENT: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CARE AND ACCOUNTING

HB 3261 expands the items and services on which a district can use its technology and instructional materials allotment (TIMA).

The bill also eliminates the provision requiring a district to purchase items in a specified order.

CNA(LLEGAL) TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

SB 204 permits a district to operate a transportation system for interdistrict transfer students outside district boundaries and without having an interlocal agreement with the transferring district if the district meets applicable certification requirements and has a policy that prohibits the screening of transfer requests using academic performance, disciplinary history, or attendance records.

The [Regulations Resource Manual](#) includes a sample certification statement.

A district in a disaster area is eligible for transportation funding for the cost of transporting a meal or instructional materials in accordance with SB 462.

Other revisions are to better match legal sources.

CNC(LLEGAL) TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

SB 1267 repeals provisions on school bus emergency evacuation training.

CO(LLEGAL) FOOD AND NUTRITION MANAGEMENT

SB 1351 revises provisions permitting a campus to donate surplus food. Links have also been updated.

CQ(LLEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

SB 475 adds "robotic process automation" to the examples of next generation technology.

CQA(LLEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: DISTRICT, CAMPUS, AND CLASSROOM WEBSITES

The list of required internet postings has been updated to include:

- Election information and election results (SB 1116);
- Notice of school health advisory council (SHAC) meetings, minutes, and recordings (HB 1525);
- A link to the comptroller website to find information on the district's agreements to limit appraised property values (existing requirement);
- Information regarding compliance with requirements for a district that will operate a transportation system outside district boundaries without an interlocal agreement (SB 204); and
- The district's employment policy and any referenced regulations (HB 750).

The optional posting pertaining to annual notice of programs for college credit has been updated as a result of SB 1095.

CQB(LLEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: CYBERSECURITY

Reporting of a breach of system security to TEA now includes a requirement to also report to an entity with which TEA contracts and may be made by district employees other than the cybersecurity coordinator per SB 1696.

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Cybersecurity training requirements were amended by HB 1118 and SB 1267.

Security breach notifications under the Business and Commerce Code were amended by HB 3746.

CRD(LLEGAL) INSURANCE AND ANNUITIES MANAGEMENT: HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE

SB 1444 permits a district participating in TRS ActiveCare to opt out of participation as described and prohibits a district participating in TRS ActiveCare from offering health coverage that is not provided under TRS ActiveCare.

Other revisions are to reorder provisions for better flow, remove unnecessary provisions, and better reflect legal sources.

CV(LLEGAL) FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

HB 2581 amends provisions on contracting procedures for construction projects, including evaluation of submissions and criteria for awarding construction contracts.

SB 338 permits a district to adopt and incorporate into relevant contracts the Texas Facilities Commission's uniform general conditions.

CVB(LLEGAL) FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION: COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS

HB 2581 requires a district using competitive sealed proposals for construction projects to make the evaluations public within 7 business days of the contract award and provide the evaluations to all offerors. A reference to provisions on weighting the value assigned to price has also been added.

DBA(LLEGAL) EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: CREDENTIALS AND RECORDS

New provisions from HB 1525 and SB 1356 permit members of teacher organizations and other eligible individuals to participate in a tutoring program to provide supplemental instruction to students as overseen by the superintendent.

DC(LLEGAL) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

A new posting requirement from HB 750 requires a district to post on its website the employment policy required by Education Code 11.1513(a) and any regulations referenced in the policy. Any form referenced in the policy must be posted on the district's intranet or at a district administrative office.

HB 1525 requires a district to accept donations from a parent-teacher organization or association to fund supplemental educational staff positions and spend the donation for the designated purpose.

DEA(LLEGAL) COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: COMPENSATION PLAN

With limited exceptions, HB 1525 requires a district to maintain salaries provided for the 2019–20 school year under HB 3, 86th Legislative Session, as long as the employee remains employed by the district.

Revisions regarding TRS surcharges for rehired retirees include:

- A prohibition against a district passing on to a retiree the cost of TRS surcharges (SB 202); and
- A temporary exemption from TRS surcharges through February 1, 2025, when a retiree is employed to mitigate student learning loss (SB 288).

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DEAA(LLEGAL) COMPENSATION PLAN: INCENTIVES AND STIPENDS

HB 1525 eliminates the requirement that a teacher be certified to be designated a master, exemplary, or recognized teacher under a local optional teacher designation system.

Changes to provisions on mentor teachers and achievement academy stipends are from SB 1267.

DEC(LLEGAL) COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: LEAVES AND ABSENCES

Districts that employ peace officers must implement two new leave provisions.

- SB 1359 requires a policy allowing the use of paid mental health leave by officers who experience a traumatic event in the scope of employment.
- HB 2073 requires the board to develop and implement a paid quarantine leave policy for district peace officers who are ordered to isolate or quarantine because of possible or known exposure to a communicable disease while on duty.

DECB(LLEGAL) LEAVES AND ABSENCES: MILITARY LEAVE

HB 1589 adds new disaster leave provisions for employees in the military who are called to state active duty in response to a disaster.

DFE(LLEGAL) TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT: RESIGNATION

HB 2519 requires notice to employees whom the district reports to SBEC for contract abandonment and limits SBEC's authority to sanction a teacher who files a resignation after the 45th day but no later than the 30th day before the first day of instruction.

DG(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

As a result of HB 3979, a teacher in a required social studies course may not be compelled to discuss a current event or widely debated and currently controversial issue of public policy or social affairs.

DGC(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES: IMMUNITY

SB 6 provides that a person is not liable for injury or death caused by exposing an individual to a pandemic disease during a pandemic emergency except as provided by law.

DH(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

HB 375 amends the offense of continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children to include continuous sexual abuse of "a disabled individual."

DIA(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE WELFARE: FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND RETALIATION

SB 45 clarifies that an employer commits an unlawful employment practice for failing to take immediate and appropriate corrective action regarding sexual harassment that the employer or employer's agents knew or should have known was occurring.

SB 282 prohibits a district from using public money to settle or pay a sexual harassment claim against a board member or an officer or employee of the district.

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DMA(LLEGAL) PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: REQUIRED STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Numerous revisions throughout this legally referenced policy on staff development are a result of SB 1267, which amends current requirements and requires SBEC, by June 1, 2022, to create a clearinghouse on continuing education and training requirements that includes recommendations for the frequency of training.

Boards must develop a professional development policy by August 1, 2022, that includes a schedule of training based on the clearinghouse or notes any differences between the board policy and the clearinghouse recommendations. Policy Service will provide local policy recommendations to districts following publication of the clearinghouse.

Other legislation affecting this policy includes:

- HB 159, requiring certain elements be included in educator staff development;
- HB 1525, delaying requirements for teacher literacy achievement academies;
- HB 2681, requiring teachers of elective Bible courses to be certified in one of three areas and complete commissioner-developed training; and
- SB 199, eliminating the requirement for instruction on cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automated external defibrillators to meet guidelines under the Health and Safety Code.

DP(LLEGAL) PERSONNEL POSITIONS

SB 179 mandates that the board adopt a policy requiring a school counselor to spend at least 80 percent of the school counselor's work time on duties that are components of a comprehensive school counseling program (CSCP).

Provisions in relevant employment contracts cannot conflict with the policy, and a district must annually assess the policy.

E(LLEGAL) INSTRUCTION

The E Section table of contents has been revised to change the subtitle of EKBA to English Learners/Emergent Bilingual Students to align with changes from SB 2066.

EB(LLEGAL) SCHOOL YEAR

A district may receive full ADA if it provides at least 43,200 minutes of instructional time to students enrolled in a school operating an adult high school charter school program in accordance with SB 1615.

EEB(LLEGAL) INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS: CLASS SIZE

Class size limits have been extended to prekindergarten by SB 2081.

EEL(LLEGAL) INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS: CONTRACTS WITH OUTSIDE AGENCIES

Driver training *schools* are renamed driver training *providers* by HB 1560.

EF(LLEGAL) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES

SB 348 clarifies that a parent is entitled to review teaching and instructional materials while a child is participating in virtual or remote learning and to observe virtual instruction.

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EHA(LLEGAL) CURRICULUM DESIGN: BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

As provided by SB 6, a district is not liable for damages or monetary relief from a cancellation or modification of a course, program, or activity if the action is due to a pandemic emergency.

EHA(A(LLEGAL) BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM: REQUIRED INSTRUCTION (ALL LEVELS)

Provisions on required instruction have been added to reflect HB 4509 revisions regarding instruction on American patriotism, Texas history, and the free enterprise system.

HB 1525 imposes several requirements regarding human sexuality curriculum materials, including:

- Revised parental notification and new parental consent provisions;
- Posting of proposed and adopted curriculum materials and options for a parent to purchase copyrighted materials from the publisher; and
- New board policy on adopting curriculum materials.

The [Regulations Resource Manual](#) includes a sample board resolution for convening the SHAC and a sample parental consent form.

SB 123 revises the list of topics that must be addressed in character education programs.

EHAD(LLEGAL) BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM: ELECTIVE INSTRUCTION

Driver training *schools* are renamed driver training *providers* by HB 1560.

EHBAB(LLEGAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: ARD COMMITTEE AND INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM

SB 89 requires districts to add supplemental information to the individualized education program (IEP) of any child who was enrolled in special education during the 2019–20 or 2020–21 school years.

The admission, review, and dismissal committee of a student who is participating in the new supplemental special education services and instructional materials program created by SB 1716 must provide certain information to parents and cannot consider the supplemental services when developing the IEP.

HB 785 imposes new requirements when a student has a behavioral improvement or intervention plan.

EHBB(LLEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS

HB 1525 eliminates the statutory requirement for a district to annually certify its gifted and talented program to the commissioner.

EHBC(LLEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: COMPENSATORY/ACCELERATED SERVICES

Numerous legislative changes affect this legally referenced policy on compensatory and accelerated services.

- The compensatory education allotment may be used for services of an instructional coach (HB 1525).
- The list of students at risk of dropping out of school excludes students who are retained in prekindergarten (SB 1697) and includes students enrolled in a dropout recovery school (HB 572) and students participating in an adult high school charter school program (SB 1615).
- The term "limited English proficient" has been changed to "emergent bilingual" (SB 2066).

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- New provisions have been added on required services after an unsatisfactory performance on state assessments, including accelerated instruction, accelerated learning committees, and parent requests for specific teachers (HB 4545).

EHBE(LLEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: BILINGUAL EDUCATION/ESL

SB 2066 revises the term "limited English proficient" to "emergent bilingual" in several instances and adds a definition of the new term.

EHBF(LLEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

In addition to existing career and technology education program notification requirements, SB 1095 adds a requirement for the district to provide parents notification of certain work-based education programs offered by the district.

EHBG(LLEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: PREKINDERGARTEN

Eligibility for free prekindergarten enrollment for three-year-olds has been extended by HB 725 to children who were in foster care in another state.

Subject to certain requirements, a parent may elect for a student to repeat prekindergarten or enroll in prekindergarten for the first time if the student would have been eligible the previous year and has not yet enrolled in kindergarten (SB 1697).

To obtain an exemption from requirements regarding prekindergarten classes for four-year-olds, a district must first solicit proposals for partnerships (HB 1525).

A prekindergarten program provided by a private entity must comply with class size limits (SB 2081).

EHBK(LLEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL INITIATIVES

As revised by HB 3257, instruction required during Holocaust Remembrance Week must include materials developed or approved by the Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Advisory Commission.

EHDD(LLEGAL) ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR EARNING CREDIT: COLLEGE COURSE WORK/DUAL CREDIT

In addition to existing career and technology program notification requirements, SB 1095 adds a requirement for the district to provide notice of work-based education programs offered by the district, such as internships, externships, apprenticeships, or a Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) program, and to notify parents of the qualifications for enrolling in these programs. A district must also provide notice regarding subsidies to take college advanced placement tests or international baccalaureate examinations.

An agreement with an institution of higher education must designate an employee of the district or the higher education institution as responsible for providing academic advising to students who will enroll in a dual credit course, as specified by SB 1277.

EI(LLEGAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Revised Administrative Code rules require the academic achievement record to reflect compliance with the requirement to complete a free application for federal student aid (FAFSA) or Texas application for state financial aid (TASFA).

SB 1888 eliminates the Early High School Graduation Scholarship Program.

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EIE(LEGAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: RETENTION AND PROMOTION

HB 4545 eliminates grade advancement provisions for students in grades 5 and 8.

SB 1697 creates parental options to retain students in prekindergarten through grade 8 or retake a high school credit course, even if the student has met the promotion standards or passed the course. In addition, a parent may enroll a student in prekindergarten or kindergarten as specified if the student was eligible the previous year. The bill includes a process to be followed if the district disagrees with the request. However, if the parent participates in that process, the parent may make the final decision whether the student will be retained. The retention provisions for grades 4–8 and for high school courses expire September 1, 2022.

EIF(LEGAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: GRADUATION

SB 369 adds details regarding how a school counselor reports compliance with the requirement for a student to complete a free application for federal student aid (FAFSA) or Texas application for state financial aid (TASFA).

The statutory expiration date for individual graduation committees was repealed by HB 1603.

Provisions on the Texas First Early High School Completion Program are from SB 1888.

Revised Administrative Code rules clarify that the requirement to demonstrate proficiency in specific communication skills for graduation may be satisfied beginning in grade 8.

EK(LEGAL) TESTING PROGRAMS

We have removed TEA obligations regarding reimbursement procedures for college preparation assessments.

EKB(LEGAL) TESTING PROGRAMS: STATE ASSESSMENT

The statutory term "limited English proficient" has been changed to "emergent bilingual" (SB 2066).

SB 1267 permits the district employee who oversees test administration to require other district employees who administer assessments to repeat test administration training.

References to the Texas Success Initiative Assessment, Version 2.0 (TSIA2) have been added as a result of revised Administrative Code rules.

Revisions regarding accelerated instruction are based on HB 4545.

EKBA(LEGAL) STATE ASSESSMENT: ENGLISH LEARNERS/EMERGENT BILINGUAL STUDENTS

The statutory term "limited English proficient" has been changed to "emergent bilingual" (SB 2066).

EL(LEGAL) CAMPUS OR PROGRAM CHARTERS

HB 3607 revises funding provisions applicable when a district contracts with an open-enrollment charter school to jointly operate a campus.

SBs 1365 and 1697 revise the list of laws applicable to charter campuses or programs.

EMB(LEGAL) MISCELLANEOUS INSTRUCTIONAL POLICIES: TEACHING ABOUT CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES

HB 3979 adds numerous restrictions for a social studies course in the required curriculum.

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EMI(LEGAL) MISCELLANEOUS INSTRUCTIONAL POLICIES: STUDY OF RELIGION

HB 2681 permits a district to offer an elective course on the Bible beginning in grade 6, rather than grade 9.

FD(LEGAL) ADMISSIONS

A statement has been added for new provisions from HB 4545 regarding enrollment in prekindergarten and kindergarten under certain circumstances. A cross-reference has also been added to EIE(LEGAL).

SB 746 requires a parent to provide to the district in writing the parent's contact information.

In accordance with SB 1615, a student enrolled in an adult high school charter school program is entitled to the benefits of the available school fund if the student is under 50 years of age.

FDA(LEGAL) ADMISSIONS: INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS

SB 481 allows a student to transfer to another district if the student's current district will offer only virtual instruction for more than one grading period during the school year.

A cross-reference to CNA has been added for provisions on operating a transportation system outside the district to transport interdistrict transfer students.

FDAA(LEGAL) INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS: PUBLIC EDUCATION GRANTS

SB 1365 revises public education grants to make a student eligible if the student is assigned to a campus with any unacceptable performance rating.

FDB(LEGAL) ADMISSIONS: INTRADISTRICT TRANSFERS AND CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS

SB 1365 revises public education grants to make a student eligible if the student is assigned to a campus with any unacceptable performance rating.

FDE(LEGAL) ADMISSIONS: SCHOOL SAFETY TRANSFERS

HB 375 amends the offense of continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children to include continuous sexual abuse of "a disabled individual."

FEA(LEGAL) ATTENDANCE: COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

HB 699 requires a school district to excuse a student's absence resulting from a serious or life-threatening illness or related treatment that makes the student's attendance infeasible, if proper documentation is provided.

SB 289 creates an optional excused absence for a student who is at least 15 years old to be absent for one day to obtain a learner license and for one day to obtain a driver's license.

HB 3165 provides an affirmative defense to truant conduct if absences were due to a child's voluntary absence from home because of abuse.

FEC(LEGAL) ATTENDANCE: ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT

HB 699 prohibits a district from considering excused absences resulting from a serious or life-threatening illness or related treatment in determining whether a student has satisfied attendance requirements for a final grade or credit.

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FED(LEGAL) ATTENDANCE: ATTENDANCE ENFORCEMENT

HB 699 prohibits a district from referring a student to truancy court and requires a district to provide counseling to a student who is absent due to a severe or life-threatening illness or related treatment.

The sample Truancy Prevention Measures Checklist in the [Regulations Resource Manual](#) has been updated to reflect this change.

FFAC(LEGAL) WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES: MEDICAL TREATMENT

SB 1267 requires that training on unassigned epinephrine auto-injectors be in accordance with the district's professional development policy, which must be adopted by August 1, 2022, following publication of the SBEC clearinghouse on continuing education and training requirements. See DMA(LEGAL) above for information.

SB 6 addresses immunity of certain medical professionals for injury or death caused by care, treatment, or failure to provide care or treatment relating to a pandemic disease.

FFB(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: CRISIS INTERVENTION

HB 3597 provides flexibility regarding the requirement for a district's threat assessment team to include a variety of members with extensive expertise and now requires the superintendent to ensure, *to the greatest extent practicable*, that the members have the required expertise.

FFBA(LEGAL) CRISIS INTERVENTION: TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE

SB 1267 requires that training on trauma-informed care be in accordance with the district's professional development policy, which must be adopted by August 1, 2022, following publication of the SBEC clearinghouse on continuing education and training requirements. See DMA(LEGAL) above for information.

The bill also repeals the requirement to report on training compliance to TEA.

FFEB(LEGAL) COUNSELING AND MENTAL HEALTH: MENTAL HEALTH

As required by SB 279, student identification cards must include the contact information for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and the Crisis Text Line and may include a local suicide prevention hotline, if available.

FFG(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

HB 3379 changes the standard of reporting child abuse and neglect from "cause to believe" to "*reasonable* cause to believe."

In addition, we have reordered provisions to better align with the structure of districts' local policy at this code and have added an existing definition for completeness.

FFH(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND RETALIATION

Dating violence training is now only required on campuses that instruct students in grade six or higher in accordance with SB 1267.

An adjustment to the Note on Title IX explains that the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) has issued a formal interpretation that discrimination on the basis of sex under Title IX includes discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity.

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STUDENT WELFARE: FREEDOM FROM BULLYING

In accordance with SB 2050, district bullying policies must address prevention and mediation of bullying incidents and comply with minimum standards adopted by TEA. Policy Service will recommend local policy revisions to districts following publication of the TEA minimum standards.

FL(LEGAL)

STUDENT RECORDS

Changes in federal law prompted revisions regarding access to student information by military recruiters, who may have access to a student's district-provided email address unless a parent has advised the district not to release this information.

FM(LEGAL)

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The requirement for the UIL to provide training to extracurricular students in recognizing the symptoms of catastrophic injuries and the risks of using dietary supplements has been removed by SB 1267.

HB 1080 provides that a district may not exclude a student from participating in a UIL activity solely because the student receives outpatient mental health services from a mental health facility or is absent for this purpose.

A district may permit homeschool students to represent the school in UIL activities as provided by HB 547. **If your district will permit homeschool students to participate in UIL activities and you currently have a provision in FD(LOCAL) prohibiting nonenrolled students from participating in curricular or extracurricular activities, please contact your policy consultant for an adjustment to that policy.**

HB 2721 prohibits a student from participating in any future extracurricular activity sponsored by the district or the UIL if the UIL determines that the student caused bodily injury to an extracurricular official in retaliation for the official's performance of duties.

Other provisions have been reordered for better flow.

FNCD(LEGAL)

STUDENT CONDUCT: TOBACCO USE AND POSSESSION

SB 248 amends the definition of "e-cigarette" to include the liquid solution or other material used in the device.

FNCG(LEGAL)

STUDENT CONDUCT: WEAPONS

HB 1927 prompted revisions regarding the Penal Code offense of unlawful carrying of weapons and a reference to the appropriate legal source for handgun offenses.

HB 957 removes firearm silencer from the list of prohibited weapons in Texas Penal Code 46.05.

FNG(LEGAL)

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES: STUDENT AND PARENT COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES

SB 348 clarifies that a parent is entitled to review teaching and instructional materials while a child is participating in virtual or remote learning and to observe virtual instruction.

FOC(LEGAL)

STUDENT DISCIPLINE: PLACEMENT IN A DISCIPLINARY ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION SETTING

HB 375 amends the offense of continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children to include continuous sexual abuse of "a disabled individual."

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FOD(LLEGAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE: EXPULSION

HB 375 amends the offense of continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children to include continuous sexual abuse of “a disabled individual.”

FOF(LLEGAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE: STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

When a district takes disciplinary action that constitutes a change of placement for a student who receives special education services, HB 785 requires the district to take certain actions relating to functional behavior assessments and behavioral intervention plans.

GBA(LLEGAL) PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM: ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION

The name of an employee accused of an improper relationship between an educator and student is confidential until the employee is indicted for the offense, except as specified by HB 246. The [Regulations Resource Manual](#) includes sample procedures to address release of this information by a campus.

Provisions on the release of personal information have been revised for:

- Board members (HB 1082); and
- Current or honorably retired peace officers and commissioned security officers (SB 841).

Confidentiality of crime victim information has been revised based on HB 2357.

The sample election of confidentiality forms in the [Regulations Resource Manual](#) have been updated to reflect these changes.

GBAA(LLEGAL) INFORMATION ACCESS: REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Changes to this policy on requests for information are from SB 1225.

- If a district's physical offices are closed, but staff is working remotely, the district must make a good faith effort to continue responding to Public Information Act (PIA) requests for information.
- Provisions on temporary suspension of the PIA due to a catastrophe apply only when a district is *significantly* impacted and limit extensions of a suspension to only once per catastrophe.

GKA(LLEGAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS: CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES

HB 1927 revises the Penal Code's list of places where the possession of weapons is prohibited.

Changes in federal law prompted revisions regarding the use of unmanned aircraft systems.

GKD(LLEGAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS: NONSCHOOL USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

HB 525 protects religious organizations from closure by a governmental entity during a disaster.

HB 1239 amends the Texas Religious Freedom Restoration Act to prohibit a government agency or public official from ordering the closure of a place of worship and clarifies that the Act cannot be suspended by the governor during a disaster.

GKE(LLEGAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS: BUSINESS, CIVIC, AND YOUTH GROUPS

Districts may not regulate learning pods in accordance with SB 1955.

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**GNB(LLEGAL) RELATIONS WITH EDUCATIONAL ENTITIES: REGIONAL EDUCATION
SERVICE CENTERS**

Changes to the provisions on core services provided by education service centers reflect that the gifted and talented allotment was reinstated by HB 1525.

**GNC(LLEGAL) RELATIONS WITH EDUCATIONAL ENTITIES: COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES**

Provisions requiring certain districts to develop a plan to increase enrollment in higher education were deleted by SB 1677.

**GRB(LLEGAL) RELATIONS WITH GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: INTERLOCAL
COOPERATION CONTRACTS**

Provisions on entering into intergovernmental support agreements with a branch of the armed forces have been added as a result of SB 780.

Please Note: This manual does not have policies in all codes. The coding structure is common to all TASB manuals and is designed to accommodate expansion of both (LEGAL) and (LOCAL) policy topics and administrative regulations.

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Consent Agenda/Action

Topic: Review of Board Agenda Calendar

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

Approved for Transmittal: Board *Linda Ellis*

Meeting Date: 12/16/2021

Recommendation:

The Board Agenda Calendar is presented for your review for revisions or additions.

Rationale:

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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December 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Early Release: December 17, 20212. Winter Break: December 20, 2021-January 3, 2022
Other Board Related Events	

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January 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Evaluation of Superintendent/Superintendent's Contract
Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approve Audit Report2. Present Budget Calendar
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Adoption of Election Order
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Martin Luther King Jr. Day: January 17, 2022
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. School Board Recognition Month

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February 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attendance Zones 2. Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) Public Hearing
Personnel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Administrator Contract Recommendations
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bad Weather Make-Up Day: February 21, 2022
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TASA/TASB Virtual Legislative Conference: February 9 - February 11, 2022 2. Soup's on for Love

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March 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Administrator Contract Recommendations 2. Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations and Proposed Non renewals/Terminations
Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Budget Work Session
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Waiver Request for Inclement Weather Make-Up Days 2. Dolores C. Huerta and Cesar E. Chavez Day: March 28, 2022
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Texas Public Schools Week: 2. Early Release: March 4, 2022 3. Spring Break: March 14-March 18, 2022
Other Board Related Events	

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April 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Administrator Contract Recommendations 2. Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations and Proposed Non renewals; Terminations
Budget	
Team Development	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Team of 8 Training:
Policy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Investment Policy and Strategy Review and Approval
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Good Friday Holiday: April 15, 2022 2. Holiday/Bad Weather Make-Up Day: April 18, 2022
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Service Awards Banquet and Retiree Recognition:
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Announce Board Member Training Credits

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May 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New Board Member Orientation (if needed)
Policy	
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Present Student Handbooks and Student Code of Conduct Updates 2. Canvass School Board Election 3. Cinco de Mayo: May 5, 2022 4. Memorial Day Holiday: May 30, 2022
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School Board Election: May 1, 2022
Other Board Related Events	

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June 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Student Handbooks 2. Reorganization of Board
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GPISD Graduation - June 6, 2022 @ Globe Life Field
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TASB Post-Legislative Conference 2. TASB Summer Leadership Institute: June 29 - July 2, 2022 (Ft Worth)

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July 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	1. Approve Hazardous Bus Routes
Personnel	
Budget	1. Review Draft of Budget
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	1. Student Organization Constitutions and Baseline Guidelines (Presented every five years)
District Events	1. Mandatory GPISD Closing 2. Independence Day Observed
Other Board Related Events	1. Approve Board Participation in TASA/TASB Annual Convention 2. Approve Board Delegate and Alternate to TASB Delegate Assembly 3. Texas Institute for School Boards Center for Reformed School Systems Training (CRSS)

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August 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Public Hearing for New Fiscal Year Budget 2. Approval of New Fiscal Year Budget 3. Order Establishing Tax Rate and Levying/Assessing Ad Valorem Taxes 4. Budget Workshop 5. Final Budget Amendment for Current Year
Team Development	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board Team of 8 Training/Annual Goal Setting:
Policy	
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pre-K Tuition Letter to TEA 2. DIP-Performance Objectives 3. Suicide Awareness Report 4. Approval for Memorandum of Understanding for Dallas County JJAEP
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Convocation (Virtual) 2. Summer Graduation 3. First Day of School
Other Board Related Events	

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September 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Budget Amendment #1 (prior year rollover expenditures)
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. National Hispanic Heritage Month: September 15 - October 15, 2022
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Football season begins2. Labor Day Holiday
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. TASA/TASB Convention

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October 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Fall Break2. Education Foundation Golf Tournament
Other Board Related Events	

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November 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. GPISD Experience2. Thanksgiving Break
Other Board Related Events	