

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, October 13, 2022, 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.
 1. Chapter 21 Contract Recommendations for 2022-2023
 - B. Deliberation Regarding Real Property (§551.072)
 - C. School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint (§551.082)
 - D. 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.
3. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**
4. **INVOCATION**
5. **PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG**
6. **RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

- Presenter:** Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer
- A. Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy Artist - Brenna Rusk
 - B. GPISD Council of PTAs Golden Apple Awards
 - C. GPISD Education Foundation Check Presentation - Attendance Incentives
 - D. GPISD Spotlight: Beyond the Bell - 10 Years of Excellence
 - E. National Hispanic Heritage Month: Excellence in Education Awards 2022
 - F. National Principals Month Recognition
 - G. Grand Prairie Collegiate Institute - 2022 National Blue Ribbon School
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**
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 - 2. Personnel Report
 - a. Personnel Report
 - C. Regular Reports of the Superintendent

Presenter: Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

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 15. **COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS**
 - A. Board of Trustees expressions of thanks, congratulations, and condolences.
 16. **ADJOURNMENT**

Regular Meeting

Thursday, September 15, 2022, 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 5:30 p.m. Other trustees present were Emily Liles, Terry Brooks, Aaron King, Bryan Parra, Amber Moffitt, and David Espinosa

2. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

A. Personnel Matters (§551.074)

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1. Chapter 21 Contract Recommendations for 2022-2023

B. Deliberation Regarding Real Property (§551.072)

C. School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint

(§551.082)

1. Level III DGBA Grievance

D. Consultation with Attorney (§551.071)

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3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board Reconvened in Open Session at 7:09 p.m.

4. INVOCATION

5. PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG

6. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer

A. Girl Scout Troop #6885

B. Texas Trust check presentation

C. SkillsUSA national winners

D. Hispanic Heritage Month

E. Grand Prairie High School LULAC national award winners

7. **OPEN FORUM FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

No one addressed the Board during Open Forum for Agenda Items.

8. **ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the Chapter 21 Contracts for the 2022-2023 school year as discussed in closed session was made by Ms. Liles. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion to take action on the Level III Grievance was made by Mr. Brooks to uphold the Administration's Level Two Decision. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0, Mr. Espinosa abstained.

9. **SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**

Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

A. Update of Current District 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. Parra seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

A. Minutes

1. Minutes 8.11.22 and Resolution
2. Minutes 8.25.22

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
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C. Regular Reports of the Superintendent

Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

1. Contract Listing
 - a. Board Contracts
2. Property Tax Collection Report
 - a. Tax Report
3. Revenue and Expenditure Report
 - a. Revenue and Expenditure Report
4. Budget Transfers/Amendments
 - a. Budget Transfer/Amendments - General Fund #1

D. Education Foundation Memorandum of Understanding

Dr. Loraine Whitley, Assistant Superintendent, Strategic Partnerships

E. Texas Teachers Evaluation and Support System

Karry Chapman, Chief of Human Capital

1. 2022-2023 TTESS Certified Administrators

11. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. 2022 SkillsUSA Washington Leadership Institute
Traci Davis, Chief of School Leadership and Innovative Programs, and
Aniska Douglas, Executive Director of CTE
Ms. Liles made a power motion to approve items A, B, and C as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

- B. 2022 National Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge
Traci Davis, Chief of School Leadership and Innovative Programs, and
Aniska Douglas, Executive Director of CTE
- C. 2022 National Future Farmers of America
Traci Davis, Chief of School Leadership and Innovative Programs, and
Aniska Douglas, Executive Director of CTE

- D. Employee Contracts
Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools
No action taken.

- E. Teacher Resignations/Contract Abandonment
Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools
No action taken.

Mr. Brooks excused himself from the remainder of the Board Meeting.

12. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Injoy Curriculum for our Teen Parent Facilitator Program
Mary Linicomn, BSN, RN, Director of Health Services

- B. 2022-2023 District and Campus Improvement Plan Goals and
Performance Objectives
Dr. Pat Lewis, Associate Superintendent
1. 2022-2023 District Improvement Plan Goals and Performance
Objectives

- C. Review of Board Agenda Calendar
Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools
**Next Month will be the bilingual ESL Update
September 23rd is Rotary Golf Tournament
Tonight, Kicked Off Hispanic Heritage Month
October 15th Education Foundation Golf Tournament**

13. **OPEN FORUM FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

No one addressed the Board during Open Forum for Non-Agenda Items.

14. **COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS**

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

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Carrillo adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Approved: October 13, 2022

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education



**GRAND PRAIRIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING AUGUST 31, 2022**

MAINTENANCE & OPERATION (M&O)

Description	2021-2022		August	
	Original Budget	Revised Budget	2021-2022 Monthly Activity	2021-2022 FYTD Activity
LOCAL TAXES-CURRENT	\$ 94,405,792.00	\$ 94,405,792.00	\$ 176,481.35	\$ 94,808,012.59
LOCAL TAXES-PRIOR YR	500,000.00	500,000.00	91,718.55	888,332.48
PENALTY/INTEREST/MIS	450,000.00	450,000.00	59,256.88	766,520.24
TOTAL	\$ 95,355,792.00	\$ 95,355,792.00	\$ 327,456.78	\$ 96,462,865.31

INTEREST & SINKING (I&S)

Description	2021-2022		August	
	Original Budget	Revised Budget	2021-2022 Monthly Activity	2021-2022 FYTD Activity
LOCAL TAXES - CUR YR	\$ 40,870,000.00	\$ 40,870,000.00	\$ 76,451.44	\$ 41,070,636.67
LOCAL TAXES - PRIOR YEAR	100,000.00	100,000.00	38,615.07	361,167.93
PENALTY/INTEREST/DEL	25,000.00	25,000.00	24,876.50	305,771.91
TOTAL	\$ 40,995,000.00	\$ 40,995,000.00	\$ 139,943.01	\$ 41,737,576.51

This report is prepared for the Board of Trustees meeting held October 13, 2022.

**2022-2023 General Fund
Summary of Proposed Budget Transfers and/or Amendment(s)
10/13/2022 Regular Board Meeting**

	General Fund Original Budget	September, 2022 Amended Budget	October, 2022 Proposed Budget Transfers	October, 2022 Proposed Budget Amendment	October, 2022 Proposed Amended Budget
REVENUES:					
5700 Local revenues	\$ 112,839,630	\$ 112,839,630	-	-	\$ 112,839,630
5800 State revenues	152,637,704	152,637,704	-	-	152,637,704
5900 Federal revenues	7,099,025	7,099,025	-	-	7,099,025
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 272,576,359	\$ 272,576,359	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 272,576,359
EXPENDITURES:					
11 Instruction	\$ 153,526,773	\$ 153,526,773	(494,833)	-	\$ 153,031,940
12 Inst. Resources/Media	3,850,369	3,850,369	76,629	-	3,926,998
13 Curr & Staff Develop	4,318,325	4,318,325	70,611	-	4,388,936
21 Inst Leadership	5,016,691	5,016,691	(198,039)	-	4,818,652
23 School Leadership	21,665,370	21,665,370	504,571	-	22,169,941
31 Guidance/Counseling	13,337,675	13,337,675	584,974	-	13,922,649
32 Social Services	262,709	262,709	5,861	-	268,570
33 Health Services	4,300,152	4,300,152	54,617	-	4,354,769
34 Transportation	7,750,904	7,750,904	(588,120)	-	7,162,784
35 Food Service	-	-	-	-	-
36 Extra-Curricular	5,785,049	5,785,049	186,114	-	5,971,163
41 General Admin.	7,490,327	7,490,327	93,391	-	7,583,718
51 Maint & Operations	33,911,174	33,758,363	(970,026)	-	32,788,337
52 Security	3,862,811	3,862,811	286,289	-	4,149,100
53 Data Processing	9,356,089	9,378,900	209,603	-	9,588,503
61 Community Services	4,711,228	4,711,228	139,358	-	4,850,586
71 Debt Service	1,207,700	1,207,700	-	-	1,207,700
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	-	130,000	39,000	-	169,000
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	80,410	80,410	-	-	80,410
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	-	-
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	447,762	447,762	-	-	447,762
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 280,881,518	\$ 280,881,518	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 280,881,518
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	\$ (8,305,159)	\$ (8,305,159)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (8,305,159)

GRAND PRAIRIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Quarterly Summary of Investments for the period June 1, 2022 to August 31, 2022 (4th Quarter)

	BEGINNING BALANCE 06/01/2022	INCREASES	DECREASES	ENDING BALANCE 08/31/2022	AVERAGE YIELD	# DAYS IN PERIOD	QUARTERLY INTEREST EARNED
TEXPOOL							
General Fund	-	-	-	-	1.56%	92	-
Debt Service Fund	2,959,581.91	11,708.80	-	2,971,290.71	1.56%	92	11,708.80
Workers' Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	1.56%	92	-
Employee Benefits Fund	3,605,517.99	14,264.14	-	3,619,782.13	1.56%	92	14,264.14
Total Texpool	\$ 6,565,099.90	\$ 25,972.94	\$ -	\$ 6,591,072.84			\$ 25,972.94
TexStar							
General Fund	108,173.15	395.62	-	108,568.77	1.44%	92	395.62
Debt Service Fund	1,885.97	6.87	-	1,892.84	1.44%	92	6.87
Total TexStar Pool	\$ 110,059.12	\$ 402.49	\$ -	\$ 110,461.61			\$ 402.49
Texas Class Pool							
General Fund	69,834,925.85	59,057,413.79	83,444,509.58	45,447,830.06	1.70%	92	254,684.62
Debt Service Fund	36,501,754.09	448,724.14	9,974,450.00	26,976,028.23	1.70%	92	142,434.92
Campus Activity Fund	752,104.16	3,231.69	-	755,335.85	1.70%	92	3,231.69
Food Service Fund	7,847,423.04	1,537,413.42	3,325,569.94	6,059,266.52	1.70%	92	37,413.42
Total Texas Class Pool	\$ 114,936,207.14	\$ 61,046,783.04	\$ 96,744,529.52	\$ 79,238,460.66			\$ 437,764.65
Lone Star Pool							
General Fund	18,893.86	73.93	-	18,967.79	1.55%	92	73.93
Total Lone Star Pool	\$ 18,893.86	\$ 73.93	\$ -	\$ 18,967.79			\$ 73.93

SECURITIES	BEGINNING BOOK VALUE		ENDING BOOK VALUE		QUARTERLY EARNINGS/FV AMORT ADJ
Gen Fund-Federal Agency Securities	10,000,000.00	-	-	10,000,000.00	57,058.33
Gen Fund-Treasury Securities	34,539,956.94	86,167.76	-	34,626,124.70	95,145.66
Gen Fund-Commercial Paper	39,370,908.34	235,111.11	-	39,606,019.45	235,111.11
	\$ 83,910,865.28			\$ 84,232,144.15	\$387,315.10
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 205,541,125.30			\$ 170,191,107.05	\$ 851,529.11

	BEGINNING BALANCE 09/01/2021	INCREASES	DECREASES	ENDING BALANCE 08/31/2022	YEAR TO DATE INTEREST/FV ADJ
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE	\$ 150,138,368.71	\$ 451,991,859.76	\$ 431,939,121.42	\$ 170,191,107.05	\$ 1,313,184.17

COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the quarterly Investment Report represents the investment position of the district as of August 31, 2022 and that all investments were purchased in compliance with the Board approved Investment Policy. The Board of Trustees has approved and reviewed the policies and strategies for investments of the Grand Prairie Independent School District.

Lara Brown

September 15, 2022

Lara Brown
Director of Finance

Date

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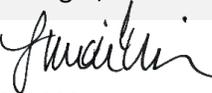
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Consent

Topic: Waiver for Teacher Data Portal of the Texas Assessment Management System

Submitted by: Dr. Melissa Steger, Chief Data and Information Systems Officer

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

It is recommended the Board of Education support the waiver to provide teacher access to student assessment data through a local student data system for the 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 school years.

Rationale:

Texas Education Code 32.258 requires teachers in all core subject areas to have access to their own students' state assessment data. The Texas Education Agency provides the teacher data portal of the Texas Assessment Management System to provide teacher access to student assessment data. The data portal provided by TEA does not have the capability to house local assessment data or national assessment data such as SAT and ACT. TEA allows districts to apply for a waiver to provide teacher access through a local data system. The system the district currently has in place meets the requirements of the Texas Education Code, provides more robust reporting, and allows teachers to compare local and state assessment data. Using this system in place of the teacher data portal of the Texas Assessment Management System minimizes the need for additional training and technical support for staff needing to retrieve data.

Budget Information:

No budgetary implications.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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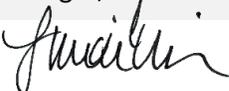
Action

Consent

Topic: Waiver for Modified Schedule State Assessment Testing Days

Submitted by: Dr. Melissa Steger, Chief Data and Information Systems Officer

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Education support the waiver to modify the schedule of classes for 10th – 12th grade students not participating in STAAR on the date of an administration in the 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 school years.

Rationale:

Classes having students from multiple grade levels complicate the testing schedule at the high schools serving grades 10-12. TEA allows districts to request a waiver where the Superintendent can designate the arrival time for students who are not participating in testing on the dates of STAAR administrations. There is no penalty to the school or student for the modified schedule. There are two avenues that the student may have fulfilled to meet this waiver.

1. The student has already met the STAAR graduation requirements for that subject.
2. The STAAR subject area in which the student is enrolled is not testing on the administration dates.

The District Educational Improvement Council supports this waiver.

Budget Information:

No budgetary implications.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

FEB (LEGAL)

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Action

Consent

Topic: Waiver to use an Alternate District-Selected 7th Grade Reading Assessment

Submitted by: Dr. Angela Herron, Chief Teaching and Learning Officer and Kimberly Soesbee, Secondary ELA Facilitator

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

The administration recommends that the Board approve the request to submit a waiver to use an alternate District-selected seventh grade reading instrument. The District is requesting to use Renaissance Learning/STAR 360 as the 2022-2023 Grade 7 ELA Reading Diagnostic Instrument.

Rationale:

Please see attachment for complete explanation of the rationale for this consent agenda item.

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EKC(LEGAL)

Request for Waiver to use Alternate 7th Grade Reading Instrument for the 2022-2023 School Year

TEC, §28.006(c-1) requires each school district to administer at the beginning of the seventh grade a reading instrument adopted by the commissioner to each student whose performance on the grade 6 STAAR reading assessment did not demonstrate reading proficiency.

The commissioner has adopted the following:

- Istation's Indicators of Progress, Advanced Reading (ISIP-AR)
- Reading Analysis and Prescription System (RAPS 360)
- Texas Middle School Fluency Assessment (TMFSA)
- Woodcock Johnson III Diagnostic Reading Battery (WJ III DRB)

LEAs are required to use one of these reading diagnostic instruments. Prior to 2019, Grand Prairie ISD 7th grade teachers administered the Texas Middle School Fluency Assessment (TMSFA) to the appropriate 7th graders who did not demonstrate reading proficiency on the grade 6 STAAR reading assessment. This fluency assessment is conducted in person and requires a secure location, free of distractions for the teacher and student.

Districts may request a waiver in order to use another instrument approved by a local district board of trustees in order to best meet student needs in the 2022-2023 school year.

We would like to respectfully request that the Board to approve our use of the Renaissance Learning/STAR 360 Reading Universal Screener in place of the TMSFA. Our reasons for this request include the following:

1. There is no "online option" for the TMSFA, making it extremely difficult to administer to students. Students need to be administered the TMSFA individually (it cannot be done in a group setting), so teachers would have to either schedule one-to-one in-person meetings with students outside of school time **or** additional staff would need to cover classes so teachers could complete the individual assessments during class time. Logistically, this would be difficult, especially as we want to reserve our after-school opportunities with students to conduct HB4545 interventions. In class, we need to make the best use of our teachers' time engaging in high-quality instruction.
2. Completing the Renaissance/STAR 360 screener for all students already provides us with actionable data on reading gaps and strengths for all students, making the tool extremely useful in grouping and planning instruction.
3. The Renaissance/STAR 360 program is already in use in our District as a reading proficiency assessment tool. Teachers, particularly our new teachers, would have little to no "ramp-up" time in familiarizing themselves with the assessment tool.
4. Most students are already familiar with the Renaissance Learning/STAR 360 program, making it a tool that they know how to access and navigate.

For these main reasons, we would like to ask that the Board approve our use of the Renaissance Learning/STAR 360 Reading Assessment for the 2022-2023 school year, enabling us to request the waiver from TEA to use this as an alternate reading instrument.

Thank you,

Kimberly Soesbee, M.Ed.
Secondary ELA Facilitator

Grand Prairie ISD Board of Trustees

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Consent

Topic: Public Meeting to Discuss School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas)

Submitted by: Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

Rationale:

The 2021-2022 School FIRST rating is based on financial data for the fiscal period that ended August 31, 2021.

The Texas Legislature created the School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) in 2001 to communicate information and improve the management of school districts' financial resources. The system requires the Texas Education Agency to review the audited financial reports from all districts and assign financial management ratings based on how the data conforms to the indicators. School districts are required to prepare an annual financial management report that includes the district's financial management performance rating from TEA, and the district's previous performance on the rating indicators. In addition, state law requires that school districts hold a public meeting to discuss the report.

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

Title 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 109, Subchapter AA



Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas

2021-2022 RATINGS BASED ON SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021 DATA - DISTRICT STATUS DETAIL

Name: GRAND PRAIRIE ISD(057910)	Publication Level 1: 8/2/2022 2:05:39 PM
Status: Passed	Publication Level 2: 8/4/2022 12:15:48 PM
Rating: A = Superior Achievement	Last Updated: 8/4/2022 12:15:48 PM
District Score: 96	Passing Score: 70

#	Indicator Description	Updated	Score
1	Was the complete annual financial report (AFR) and data submitted to the TEA within 30 days of the November 27 or January 28 deadline depending on the school district's fiscal year end date of June 30 or August 31, respectively?	7/12/2022 8:30:44 AM	Yes
2	Was there an unmodified opinion in the AFR on the financial statements as a whole? (The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) defines unmodified opinion. The external independent auditor determines if there was an unmodified opinion.)	5/16/2022 10:29:32 AM	Yes
3	Was the school district in compliance with the payment terms of all debt agreements at fiscal year end? (If the school district was in default in a prior fiscal year, an exemption applies in following years if the school district is current on its forbearance or payment plan with the lender and the payments are made on schedule for the fiscal year being rated. Also exempted are technical defaults that are not related to monetary defaults. A technical default is a failure to uphold the terms of a debt covenant, contract, or master promissory note even though payments to the lender, trust, or sinking fund are current. A debt agreement is a legal agreement between a debtor (= person, company, etc. that owes money) and their creditors, which includes a plan for paying back the debt.)	5/16/2022 10:29:32 AM	Yes
4	Did the school district make timely payments to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS), Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and other government agencies? (If the school district received a warrant hold and the warrant hold was not cleared within 30 days from the date the warrant hold was issued, the school district is considered to not have made timely payments and will fail critical indicator 4. If the school district was issued a warrant hold, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 95 points, A = Superior Achievement, even if the issue surrounding the initial warrant hold was resolved and cleared within 30 days.)	5/16/2022 10:29:33 AM	Yes Ceiling Passed
5	This indicator is not being scored.		
			1 Multiplier Sum
6	Was the average change in (assigned and unassigned) fund balances over 3 years less than a 25 percent decrease or did the current year's assigned and unassigned fund balances exceed 75 days of operational expenditures? (If the school district fails indicator 6, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)	5/17/2022 9:41:04 AM	Ceiling Passed
7	Was the number of days of cash on hand and current investments in the general fund for the school district sufficient to cover operating expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.	5/16/2022 10:29:34 AM	10
8	Was the measure of current assets to current liabilities ratio for the school district sufficient to cover short-term debt? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.	5/16/2022 10:29:35 AM	10
9	Did the school district's general fund revenues equal or exceed expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)? If not, was the school district's number of days of cash on hand greater than or equal to 60 days? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.	5/16/2022 10:29:35 AM	10
10	This indicator is not being scored.		10
11	Was the ratio of long-term liabilities to total assets for the school district sufficient to support long-term solvency? If the school district's increase of students in membership over 5 years was 7 percent or more, then the school district automatically passes this indicator. See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.	5/16/2022 10:29:37 AM	8
12	Was the debt per \$100 of assessed property value ratio sufficient to support future debt repayments? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.	5/16/2022 10:29:38 AM	8
13	Was the school district's administrative cost ratio equal to or less than the threshold ratio? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.	6/9/2022 10:51:46 AM	10
14	Did the school district not have a 15 percent decline in the students to staff ratio over 3 years (total enrollment to total staff)? If the student enrollment did not decrease, the school district will automatically pass this indicator.	5/16/2022 10:29:40 AM	10
15	This indicator is not being scored.		5
16	Did the comparison of Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) data to like information in the school district's AFR result in a total variance of less than 3 percent of all expenditures by function? (If the school district fails indicator 16, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)	5/16/2022 10:29:40 AM	Ceiling Passed
17	Did the external independent auditor report that the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting and compliance for local, state, or federal funds? (The AICPA defines material weakness.) (If the school district fails indicator 17, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard Achievement.)	5/16/2022 10:29:41 AM	Ceiling Passed
18	Did the external independent auditor indicate the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material noncompliance for grants, contracts, and laws related to local, state, or federal funds? (The AICPA defines material noncompliance.)	5/16/2022 10:29:42 AM	10
19	Did the school district post the required financial information on its website in accordance with Government Code, Local Government Code, Texas Education Code, Texas Administrative Code and other statutes, laws and rules that were in effect at the school district's fiscal year end?	5/16/2022 10:29:42 AM	5

20	Did the school board members discuss the district's property values at a board meeting within 120 days before the district adopted its budget? (If the school district fails indicator 20 the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)	5/16/2022 10:29:43 AM	Ceiling Passed
			96 Weighted Sum
			1 Multiplier Sum
			(100 Ceiling)
			96 Score

DETERMINATION OF RATING

A.	Did the school district fail any of the critical indicators 1, 2, 3, or 4? If so, the school district's rating is F for Substandard Achievement regardless of points earned.		
B.	Determine the rating by the applicable number of points.		
	A = Superior Achievement		90-100
	B = Above Standard Achievement		80-89
	C = Meets Standard Achievement		70-79
	F = Substandard Achievement		<70
No Rating = A school district receiving territory that annexes with a school district ordered by the commissioner under TEC 13.054, or consolidation under Subchapter H, Chapter 41. No rating will be issued for the school district receiving territory until the third year after the annexation/consolidation.			
The school district receives an F if it scores below the minimum passing score, if it failed any critical indicator 1, 2, 3, or 4, if the AFR or the data were not both complete, or if either the AFR or the data were not submitted on time for FIRST analysis.			

CEILING INDICATORS

Did the school district meet the criteria for any of the following **ceiling indicators** 4, 6, 16, 17, or 20? If so, the school district's applicable maximum points and rating are disclosed below. Please note, an F = Substandard Achievement Rating supersedes any rating earned as the result of the school district meeting the criteria of a ceiling indicator.

Determination of rating based on meeting ceiling criteria.	Maximum Points	Maximum Rating
Indicator 4 (Timely Payments) - School district was issued a warrant hold.	95	A = Superior Achievement
Indicator 6 (Average Change in Fund Balance) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 16 (PEIMS to AFR) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 17 (Material Weaknesses) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	79	C = Meets Standard Achievement
Indicator 20 (Property Values and Tax Discussion) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement

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Topic: Out-of-State Student Travel – Grand Prairie High School

Submitted by: Amy Francis, Executive Director of Fine Arts

Approved for Transmittal: *Amy Francis*

Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

The administration is requesting Board approval for Grand Prairie High School varsity cheerleaders to travel to Lake Buena Vista, Florida from February 10-13, 2023.

Rationale:

Students will participate in the Universal Cheerleading Association National High School Cheerleading Championship.

Budget Information:

Student-funded with booster club support.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

FMG (local)

SCHOOL SPONSORED TRIP REQUEST
[See FMG (LOCAL) for Travel Requirements]

In-State Trips
Form must be submitted
15 days prior to trip.

Out-of-State Trips
Form must be submitted
30 days prior to the trip.

DO NOT USE GRAY AREA

School Bus Charter Bus Air
Overnight No Yes If yes, how many nights **3**

Date of request:	8/30/2022
Campus Name:	GPHS
Requested by:	Ashley Robinson
Contact number:	(972)809-5761
CAMPUS NUMBER	
CELL NUMBER	(214)693-6375
Purpose of trip/Event(s) to be Attended:	National High School Cheerleading Championship
Educational Relevance:	The UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship has been the culmination of the season for cheerleaders across the nation for 40 years. It's the most prestigious high school national championship in the country and the perfect opportunity for cheerleading teams to get together and learn strategies and techniques from other squads across the country
Number of Students:	26
Names of Chaperones: If non teacher chaperones are attending, they MUST have background check approval prior to travel.	Ashley Robinson - Cheer Sponsor Ursula Roach - Cheer Sponsor Diondria Phillips - Administrator
Funding Source:	Booster Club
Departure Date:	2/10/2023
Departure Time:	7:00 am
Departure Location:	Grand Prairie High School
Destination Name:	Orlando, Florida
Destination Address: (PHYSICAL)	1000 W Buena Vista Dr,
CITY & STATE	Lake Buena Vista, Florida 32830
ZIP CODE	
Return Date:	2/13/2023
Arrival Time Back to Campus:	1:00 pm
Return Departure Pickup Location:	DFW Airport
Special Instructions:	
Transportation needed at the event?	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SPED Bus Needed?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> # of Students _____

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Account Code:	
Estimate/Bid cost:	
Trip Number:	

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied Samantha Orsey 9/1/22 Principal /Date	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied Amy Frances Area Supt. Or Program Director / Date	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied Doreen Hart 9/30/22 Supt. or Asst. Supt. Of Admin/Date
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After principal approval or denial, forward a copy to the Area Superintendent
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GPHS Cheer 2023 National High School Cheerleading Championship Itinerary

Friday February 10th

7:00am - Departure
9:00am - Arrival
10:00am Team Breakfast
1:00 pm Check in Hotel
1:00 2:30pm Practice
3:00pm Team Lunch
4:00pm Park Visit (Epcot)
7:00pm Team Dinner
8:00pm Leave Park/Return to Hotel
9:00pm Team meeting.
11:00pm Lights Out

Saturday February 11th

8:00am Team Breakfast
9:00am Practice
10:00am-3:00pm Competition
4:00pm-8:00pm Disney Fun
7:00pm Team Dinner
9:00PM Team Meeting
11:00 Lights Out

Sunday February 12th

8:00am Breakfast
9:00am-3:00pm - Hollywood Studios
4:00pm-8:00pm Disney Team Celebration/ Awards (Dinner provided by UCA)
8:30pm- Return to Hotel
11:00 Lights Out

Monday February 13th

8:00am Team Breakfast
11:00am Depart Florida
1:00pm Arrive in DW

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Topic: Out-of-State Student Travel – Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy

Submitted by: Amy Francis, Executive Director of Fine Arts

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

The administration is requesting Board approval for Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy dance students to travel to Pittsburgh, PA, March 1-5, 2023.

Rationale:

Students will participate in a national dance competition and educational workshops, and they will meet with college recruiters.

Budget Information:

Student and district funding.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

FMG (Local)

SCHOOL SPONSORED TRIP REQUEST

In-State Trips Form must be submitted 15 days prior to trip.		Out-of-State Trips Form must be submitted 30 days prior to the trip.
DO NOT USE GRAY AREA		
		School Bus <input type="checkbox"/> Charter Bus <input type="checkbox"/> Air <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Overnight No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, how many nights 4		
Date of request:	Sept 15, 2022	
Campus Name:	Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy	
Requested by:	Jaiguan Laurencin	
Contact number:	CAMPUS NUMBER	(972) 237-5603
	CELL NUMBER	(214) 725-0868
Purpose of trip/Event(s) to be Attended:	National High School Dance Festival	
Educational Relevance:	Students will participate in a dance conference where they will have the opportunity to attend multiple dance classes and educational workshops taught by professionals in the field, meet college recruiters, perform and have the opportunity to get awarded scholarships. Also they will get the opportunity to get their dances adjudicated for a performance in the Gala.	
Number of Students:	20	
Names of Chaperones: If non teacher chaperones are attending, they MUST have background check approval prior to travel.	Jaiguan Laurencin - Teacher	
	Shana Taylor - Administrator	
Funding Source:		
Departure Date:	Wednesday March 1st, 2023	
Departure Time:	5am	
Departure Location:	Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy	
	102 Gopher Blvd Grand Prairie, Texas 75050	
Destination Name:	Point Park University	
Destination Address: (PHYSICAL)	201 Wood Street	
	CITY & STATE	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
	ZIP CODE	15222
Return Date:	Sunday March 5th, 2023	
Arrival Time Back to Campus:	evening	
Return Departure Pickup Location:	8pm	
Special Instructions:		
Transportation needed at the event?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	
SPED Bus Needed?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> # of Students _____	
FOR OFFICE USE		
Account Code:		
Estimate/Bid cost:		
Trip Number:		

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied
<i>[Signature]</i>		<i>[Signature]</i>		<i>[Signature]</i>	
Principal	Date	Area Supt. Or Program Director	Date	Supt. or Asst. Supt. Of Admin/Dal	Date
After principal approval or denial, forward a copy to the Area Superintendent					
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TRAVEL ITINERARY

National High School Dance Festival
Point Park University (Pittsburgh, PA)
March 1 - March 5, 2023

Wednesday March 1st	
4:45am	Meet at Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy
5:15am	Leave on bus to Dallas-Love Field Airport
5:45am	Arrive at Dallas-Love Field Airport/Security CheckPoint
6:45am	Board Plane
12:30pm	Arrive at Pittsburgh
1:30pm-2:30pm	Lunch
3pm	Check into hotel: OMNI William Penn Hotel
3:30pm-4:30pm	Registration at Point Park
5pm-6pm	GPFAA Dance Meeting at Hotel
6:30pm-7:30pm	Dinner
8pm	Return to Hotel
9:30pm	Lights Out

Thursday March 2nd	
7am-7:30am	Breakfast
8am-11:30pm	Classes, Workshops and Lectures
12pm-1pm	Lunch
1:30pm-5pm	Classes, Workshops and Lectures
5:30pm-6:30pm	Opening Ceremony (Part I)
7pm-8pm	Dinner
7:30pm-10:30pm	Festival Reception
8pm-9pm	Opening Ceremony (Part II)
9:30pm	Back to Hotel/Lights Out

Friday March 3rd	
7am-7:30am	Breakfast/Leave to PointPark at 7:30am
8am-12:20pm	Classes, Lectures and Workshops
11am-12:20pm	Informal Concert I
12:30pm-3:20pm	Classes, Lectures and Workshops
12:30pm-1:30pm	Lunch
2pm-3:20pm	Informal Concert II
3:30pm-4:50pm	Classes, Lectures and Workshops
5pm-6pm	Dinner
6:30pm	Prep for Gala Concert at Hotel
7:30pm	Depart Hotel for Gala Concert
8pm-9pm	Gala Concert
9:30pm	Back at Hotel/Lights Out

Saturday March 4th	
7am-7:30am	Breakfast/Leave to PointPark at 7:30am
8am-12:20pm	Classes, Lectures and Workshops
11am-12:20pm	Informal Concert I
12:30pm-3:20pm	Classes, Lectures and Workshops
12:30pm-1:30pm	Lunch
2pm-3:20pm	Informal Concert II
3:30pm-4:50pm	Classes, Lectures and Workshops
5pm-6pm	Dinner
6:30pm	Prep for Gala Concert at Hotel

7:30pm	Depart Hotel for Gala Concert
8pm-9pm	Gala Concert
9:30pm	Back at Hotel/Lights Out

Sunday March 5th	
7am-7:30am	Breakfast/Leave to PointPark at 7:30am
8am-10:50am	Classes, Lectures and Workshops
11am-1pm	Closing Ceremonies
1:30pm	Load in/Depart from PointPark University to Pittsburgh Airport
2:20pm/2:30pm	Arrive at Airport
3pm-4pm	Lunch/Early Dinner at Airport
5:25pm	Board Plane
5:55pm	Plane Departs
8:05pm	Arrive at Dallas-Love Field Airport/Parent Pick Up from Love Field

National High School Dance Festival

Point Park University (Pittsburgh, PA)

March 1 - March 5, 2022

TEACHER EXPENSES - Paid by GPFAA			
Price	Quantity	Item Description	Final Price
\$225	0	Festival Deposit - Includes 2 teacher fee	\$0
\$155	0	Dancer Registration - DANCERS ONLY	\$0
\$30	0	Adjudication Fee	\$0
\$400	2	Plane Tickets - 2 Staff	\$800
\$30	2 (22)	Baggage Fee - 2 travel times for 2 Staff	\$1,320.00
\$164.16	2 (4)	Hotel Rooms - 4 days for 2 Rooms for 2 Staff	\$1,313.28
\$45.75	2 (2)	Food Allowance - Staff Only	\$549
\$61.00	2 (3)	2 Travel Days and 3 Full Days for 2 Staff	
??	0	Airport-Hotel & Point Park-Airport	0
TOTAL			\$3,982.28

Expenses - Paid by GPISD			
Price	Quantity	Item Description	Final Price
\$225	0	Festival Deposit - Includes 2 teacher fees	0
\$155	20	Dancer Registration - Includes T-Shirt & Program	\$3,100
\$30	2	Adjudication Fee - 2 Pieces of Choreography	\$60
\$400	0	Plane Tickets	0
\$60	0	Baggage Fee	0
\$164.16	0	Hotel Rooms - 6 for students and 2 for adults	0
??	0	Airport-Hotel & Point Park-Airport	0
TOTAL			\$3,160.00

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Topic: Out-of-State Student Travel – Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy

Submitted by: Amy Francis, Executive Director of Fine Arts

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

The administration is requesting Board approval for the Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy orchestra to travel to Dollywood Music in the Park Festival in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee from April 19-23, 2023.

Rationale:

Students will participate in a national music competition.

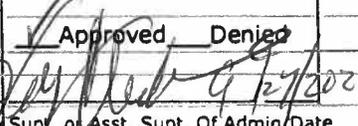
Budget Information:

Student-funded with support from GPFAA Orchestra Guild (boosters).

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

FMG (local)

SCHOOL SPONSORED TRIP REQUEST

In-State Trips Form must be submitted 15 days prior to trip.		Out-of-State Trips Form must be submitted 30 days prior to the trip.
DO NOT USE GRAY AREA		
		School Bus <input type="checkbox"/> Charter Bus <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air <input type="checkbox"/>
		Overnight No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, how many nights 4
Date of request:	August 5, 2022	
Campus Name:	Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy	
Requested by:	Richard Galvan	
Contact number:	CAMPUS NUMBER	(972) 237-5603
	CELL NUMBER	(214) 402-6465
Purpose of trip/Event(s) to be Attended:	Dollywood Music in the Park Festivals in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee	
Educational Relevance:	Music competition, workshops with orchestra professionals, college visit.	
Number of Students:	40	
Names of Chaperones: If non teacher chaperones are attending, they MUST have background check approval prior to travel.	Richard Galvan - Teacher	
	Marvin Garden - Teacher	
	Lorin Carr	
	Rene Velazquez	
Funding Source:	Out of pocket, GPFAA Orchestra Guild support	
Departure Date:	April 19, 2023	
Departure Time:	6:00AM	
Departure Location:	Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy	
Destination Name:	Dollywood Theme Park	
Destination Address: (PHYSICAL)	2700 Dollywood Parks Blvd.	
	CITY & STATE	Pigeon Forge, TN
	ZIP CODE	37863
Return Date:	April 23, 2023	
Arrival Time Back to Campus:	9:00PM	
Return Departure Pickup Location:	Dollywood Theme Park	
Special Instructions:		
Transportation needed at the event?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	
SPED Bus Needed?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> # of Students _____	
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Account Code:		
Estimate/Bid cost:		
Trip Number:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied
 /Date	 /Date	 /Date
Principal	Area Supt. Or Program Director	Supt. or Asst. Supt. Of Admin/Date
After principal approval or denial, forward a copy to the Area Superintendent		
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Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy Pigeon Forge Trip

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

- 5:30 AM** **Motorcoach arrives at Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy**
- 6:00 AM** **Depart via motorcoach for Pigeon Forge**
- 11:00 PM** **Arrive and check-in at hotel**
- 11:30 PM** **Room check and lights**

Thursday, April 20, 2023

- 8:00 AM** **Breakfast at hotel**
- 9:00 AM** **Depart via motorcoach for Titanic Museum**
- 9:30 AM** **Arrive at Titanic Museum**
- 10:00 AM** **Titanic Museum**
- 12:30 PM** **Lunch**
- 3:00 PM** **Depart via motorcoach for hotel**
- 3:30 PM** **Arrive at hotel to freshen up**
- 5:00 PM** **Depart via motorcoach for Dolly Parton's Stampede**

Thursday, April 20, 2023 (cont)

- 5:30 PM** Arrive at Dolly Parton's Stampede
- 6:00 PM** Dolly Parton's Stampede
- 8:00 PM** Depart via motorcoach for hotel
- 8:30 PM** Arrive at hotel
- 10:00 PM** Room check and lights out

Friday, April 21, 2023

- 8:00 AM** Breakfast at hotel
- 9:00 AM** Depart via motorcoach for ButtonWillow Civil War Theater
- 9:30 AM** Arrive at ButtonWillow Civil War Theater
- 10:00 AM** ButtonWillow Civil War Theater
- 11:30 PM** Depart via motorcoach for Hard Rock Cafe
- 12:00 PM** Arrive at Hard Rock Cafe
- 12:30 PM** Lunch at Hard Rock Cafe
- 2:00 PM** Depart via motorcoach for hotel
- 2:30 PM** Arrive at hotel to freshen up

Friday, April 21, 2023 (cont)

- 3:30 PM** **Depart via motorcoach for Performance TBD**
- 4:00 PM** **Arrive at Performance TBD**
- 5:00 PM** **Warm up/Performance TBD (Music in the Parks Festival)**
- 5:45 PM** **Depart via motorcoach for Hatfield & McCoy Dinner Feud**
- 6:15 PM** **Arrive at Hatfield & McCoy Dinner Feud**
- 6:30 PM** **Dinner at Hatfield & McCoy Dinner Feud**
- 8:00 PM** **Depart via motorcoach for hotel**
- 8:30 PM** **Arrive at hotel**
- 10:00 PM** **Room check and lights out**

Saturday, April 22, 2023

- 8:00 AM** **Breakfast at hotel**
- 9:00 AM** **Depart via motorcoach for Dollywood**
- 9:30 AM** **Arrive at Dollywood**
- 10:00 AM** **Dollywood**
- 12:00 PM** **Lunch at Dollywood**

Saturday, April 22, 2023 (cont)

- 6:00 PM Dinner at Dollywood**
- 9:00 PM Depart via motorcoach for hotel**
- 9:30 PM Arrive at hotel**
- 10:00 PM Room check and lights out**

Sunday, April 23, 2023

- 6:30 AM Breakfast at hotel**
- 7:00 AM Check out of hotel, load, and depart via motorcoach for Dollywood**
- 11:55 PM Arrive at Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy**

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Topic: Injoy Curriculum for the GPISD Teen Parenting Facilitator Program

Submitted by: Mary Linicomn, BSN, RN, Health Services Director and Mireya Utery, LMSW, Teen Parenting Facilitator

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

The Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC) recommends that the Board adopt the Injoy Curriculum for our GPISD Teen Parenting Facilitator Program for the 2022-2023 school year.

Rationale:

The current curriculum is out of date.

Budget Information:

Local Funds

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EH(Local)

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Topic: 2022-2023 District and Campus Improvement Plans Performance Objectives

Submitted by: Dr. Pat Lewis, Associate Superintendent

Approved for Transmittal: *Pat Lewis*

Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

The Administration requests that the Board approve the 2022-2023 District and Campus Improvement Plans Performance Objectives.

Rationale:

The District Improvement Plans Performance Objectives are based on five goals that incorporate District initiatives/programs and state and federal requirements. Campus Improvement Plans Performance Objectives match those of the District; thus, all campus plans utilize the same five goals as the basis for their needs assessment, objectives, and strategies.

Budget Information:

Local and Federal Funding

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

BQ (LEGAL)

BQ (LOCAL)

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District Improvement Plan

2022-2023 Comprehensive Needs Assessment Proposed Goals and Performance Objectives

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) has set four Strategic Priorities that must serve as the cornerstones of plan development and for progress measurement and evaluation. GPISD has flexibility to address additional local priorities.

The TEA Strategic Priorities are:

1. Recruiting, supporting, and retaining teachers and principals
2. Building a foundation of math and reading
3. Connecting high school to career and college
4. Improving low-performing schools

The Local Strategic Priorities are:

5. School safety
6. Support parent and community engagement
7. Social emotional learning and wellness for students and staff

Below are recommendations for consideration which include feedback from Board of Trustees, Education Improvement Council (EIC), campus and district staff as the goals and performance objectives for the District Improvement Plan. In their final form these goals and performance objectives will serve as a guide for Campus Improvement Plans.

DIP Goal 1 - Student Achievement:

By August 2023, students will increase STAAR and district assessments performance by 3% in all core content areas (ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies) and no “D” or “F” rated school as measured by TEA. *Measurements: District benchmark/assessment data, STAAR/EOC data, graduation/completion rates, and participation rates.* (TEA Strategic Priorities: 2, 3, 4)

- ▶ **Performance Objective 1.1:** Increase the academic achievement for all students as measured by district and state assessment performance and growth.
- ▶ **Performance Objective 1.2:** Provide high quality early education initiatives and programs. (ESSA requirement)
- ▶ **Performance Objective 1.3:** Continue to implement, expand, and monitor college/career and military readiness initiatives through Programs and Schools of Choice, with annual increases in completion rates, graduation rates, STAAR post- secondary rates, advanced academics, dual credit/college credit offerings, and work-based learning

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opportunities that lead to skill attainment for in-demand occupations or industries. (ESSA requirement)

- ▶ **Performance Objective 1.4:** Provide prescriptive instructional services and interventions to address identified student needs which include specific groups of students as required and at risk of dropping out of school by TEA definitions-(SPED, EL, 504, Homeless, GT, Migrant, Foster Care and At-Risk). (ESSA requirement)
- ▶ **Performance Objective 1.5:** Provide additional academic and social emotional initiatives and support for grades 5 – 9.

DIP Goal 2 –Recruitment, Support and Retention of Personnel:

By Fall 2023, GPISD will increase retention rate by 3% of employees from prior year data as reported in the annual Texas Academic Progress Report (TAPR). *Measurements: Leadership program participation/advancement, recruitment data, retention rates, training records, classroom walkthroughs, student growth data, teacher/staff evaluations.* (TEA Strategic Priority 1)

- ▶ **Performance Objective 2.1:** Continue to support district’s leadership mission and goals: We Create Success-We Lead by Example-We Empower People through leadership development initiatives and professional development for teachers and staff to improve student learning.
- ▶ **Performance Objective 2.2:** Develop and implement initiatives to recruit, hire, mentor, and retain effective teachers, campus administrators and other instructional leaders.
- ▶ **Performance Objective 2.3:** Provide ongoing technical assistance to teachers and staff for connecting analysis of student achievement data to effective classroom interventions for all students (SPED, EL, GT, Migrant and at-risk students as identified) in all subject areas. (ESSA requirement)

DIP Goal 3 - Parent/Community Engagement:

By August 2023, all campuses will have a documented parent/family engagement plan that will engage parents/families opportunities to support student learning. *Measurements: Parent/community engagement meetings, community partnerships/organizations, parent workshops/trainings, parent-school compacts (Title 1), parent involvement/family engagement policy, and volunteer documentation.* (TEA Strategic Priorities: 2, 3, 4)

(Local Strategic Priority 6)

- ▶ **Performance Objective 3.1:** Provide effective programs and initiatives to promote and support parent and family engagement to strengthen the home and school connection.(ESSA requirement)

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DIP Goal 4 - Instructional Technology:

By August 2023, instructional Technology will be incorporated to increase the effectiveness of teaching and learning, instructional management, staff development and student progress assessments. *Measurements : Staff/teacher/parent training resources, lesson plans, technology inventory, campus needs assessment, student growth data, usage logs.* (TEA Strategic Priorities 1, 2 ,3 ,4) (Local Strategic Priority 6)

- ▶ **Performance Objective 4.1:** Continue to update, expand, and improve technology hardware and software applications for teaching and learning and data retention as defined in the GPISD Technology Plan and/or needs assessment.

- ▶ **Performance Objective 4.2:** GPISD will continue to design, implement, and monitor a comprehensive 1-to-1 student/device integration plan to increase student and staff learning.

DIP Goal 5: Safety and Well Being:

By August 2023, GPISD will provide a safe, disciplined, and healthy environment on all campuses and district facilities to promote and support student learning. *Measurements: Safety audit reports, safety plan, exterior door check reports, discipline management plans, discipline records, attendance rate, PEIMS data, staff training documentation, community/school events.* (Local Strategic Priority 5)

- ▶ **Performance Objective 5.1:** GPISD will continue to ensure the safety and well-being of students, staff, and parents, and community members.

- ▶ **Performance Objective 5.2:** Provide an effective student management framework to reduce discipline referrals and increase attendance rates to ensure student success.

- ▶ **Performance Objective 5.3:** Continue to expand and provide counseling services to provide structure, support, training for social and emotional learning (trauma-informed care) for staff and students.

- ▶ **Performance Objective 5.4:** Provide training, initiatives, and support to address bullying, suicide, violence, and drug prevention.

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Topic: Employee Contracts

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

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 Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

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: GPISD Education Foundation Update

Submitted by: Dr. Loraine Whitley, Assistant Superintendent of Strategic Partnerships

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

The GPISD Education Foundation will present information regarding its continued efforts to support the staff and students of Grand Prairie ISD.

Rationale:

The Education Foundation assists the GPISD by seeking alternative sources of revenue to enhance and expand the District's quality of educational programming.

Budget Information:

No District budget funds are currently used in the activities of the GPISD Education Foundation.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

Memorandum of Understanding between the GPISD Education Foundation and the GPISD School Board.

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Topic: 2023-2024 School Calendar Information

Submitted by: Dr. Vern Alexander, Deputy Superintendent and Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

Recommendation:

Deputy Superintendent of Student Support Services Dr. Alexander and Public Information Officer Sam Buchmeyer met with the District Education Improvement Council on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, to review the draft of the 2023-2024 School Calendar. Included on the proposed calendars are many features that the district teaching staff has valued such as a week break at Thanksgiving, two weeks for Winter Break, the semester ending prior to Winter Break, and the last day of school in May.

Following the board meeting, a survey will be conducted with GPISD educators, parents, and the community to gather additional input on the 2023-2024 calendar.

Rationale:

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Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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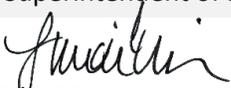
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Topic: Review of Board Agenda Calendar

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

Approved for Transmittal:



Board Meeting Date: 10/13/2022

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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October 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Indigenous Peoples' Day: October 10, 20222. Education Foundation Golf Tournament: October 14, 2022
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. MASBA: October 6-8, 2022

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November 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. GPISD Experience: November 5, 20222. Thanksgiving Break: November 21-25, 2022
Other Board Related Events	

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December 2022

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	1. Winter Break: December 19-January 2, 2022
Other Board Related Events	

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January 2023

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	1. Evaluation of Superintendent/Superintendent's Contract
Budget	1. Approve Audit Report
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	1. Adoption of Election Order
District Events	1. Martin Luther King Jr. Day: January 16, 2023
Other Board Related Events	1. School Board Recognition Month

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February 2023

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 20, 2023
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TASA/TASB Legislative Conference: February 21, 2023 2. Soup's on for Love

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March 2023

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 2. Present Budget Calendar
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 27, 2023
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Texas Public Schools Week: TBA 2. Spring Break: March 13-March 17, 2023
Other Board Related Events	

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April 2023

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 7, 2023 2. Holiday/Bad Weather Make-Up Day: April 10, 2023
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Service Awards Banquet and Retiree Recognition: TBA
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Announce Board Member Training Credits

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May 2023

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contract SFE
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Canvass School Board Election (called meeting) 2. Cinco de Mayo: May 5, 2023 3. Memorial Day Holiday: May 29, 2023 4. Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Graduation 2. School Board Election
Other Board Related Events	

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June 2023

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New Board Member Orientation
Policy	
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Present Student Handbooks and Student Code of Conduct Updates 2. Reorganization of Board 3. Juneteenth: June 19, 2023
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GPISD Graduation
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TASB Post-Legislative Conference 2. TASB Summer Leadership Institute

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July 2023

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 2023

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	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Convocation 2. Summer Graduation 3. First Day of School
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Virtual Summer School for Trustees

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September 2023

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Budget Amendment #1
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. National Hispanic Heritage Month
District Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Football season begins 2. Labor Day Holiday
Other Board Related Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TASA/TASB Convention: September 29, 2023 -October 1, 2023