

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, August 14, 2025, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Board Room at the Education Center, 2602 South Belt Line Road, Grand Prairie, Texas 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. **7:00 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER**
2. **INVOCATION**
3. **PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG**
4. **RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**
Presenter: Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer
5. **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 by 7:00 p.m. 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.
6. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
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 2. Personnel Report

a.	Personnel Report	
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	Presenter: Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations	
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	Presenter: Dr. Melissa Kates, General Counsel	
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	Presenter: Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations	
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	Presenter: Traci Davis, Strategic Innovation Officer	
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	Presenter: Dr. Tamela Horton, Deputy Superintendent of Academics	
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	Presenter: Dr. Melissa Kates, General Counsel	
8.	INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS	
A.	Grand Prairie High School Construction Update	
	Presenter: Dr. Gabriel Trujillo, Superintendent of Schools	
9.	OPEN FORUM FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS	
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10.	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, for Administrators, Principals, Teachers and/or other Employees.
 - 1. Chapter 21 Contract Recommendations for 2025-2026
 - 2. The evaluation, duties, and discipline of a public officer
 - 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.
 - E. Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits (§§ 551.076; .089).
 - The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices; or a security audit.
 - 1. Intruder Detection Audit.
 - 2. Three-year Safety and Security Audit
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- 11. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**
 - 12. **ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION**
 - 13. **COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**
 - A. Board of Trustees' expressions of thanks, congratulations, and condolences.
 - 14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, July 15, 2025, 5:30 PM

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

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

Board President Amber Moffitt called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Other trustees present were Gloria Carrillo, Terry Brooks, Nancy Bridges, Emily Liles, David Espinosa, and Bryan Parra.

2. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

A. Personnel Matters (§ 551.074)

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1. Chapter 21 Contract Recommendations for 2025-2026
2. Proposed Termination of Term Contract(s)

B. Deliberation Regarding Real Property (§ 551.072).

C. School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint (§ 551.082).

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E. Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits (§§ 551.076; .089).

The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices; or a security audit.

1. Intruder Detection Audit.

3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:24 p.m.

4. INVOCATION

5. PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG

6. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Sam Buchmeyer, Public Information Officer

- A. GPHS Tower: Blake Adkins and Wendell Rose

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

Mr. Espinosa made a motion that the Board of Trustees approve the Superintendent's recommendation to send notice of the proposed

termination of the 2025-2026 Term Contract of Carolyn Jackson and that the Board delegate authority to the Superintendent to send Carolyn Jackson Notice of the Proposed Termination on behalf of the Board of Trustees and in accordance with Texas Education Code 21.211. Mr. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

9. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Ms. Liles made the motion to approve the consent agenda but remove item G for individual consideration. Mr. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

A. Minutes

1. Minutes 6.5.25
2. Minutes 6.12.25

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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 - a. Personnel Report

C. Regular Reports of the Superintendent

Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

1. Contract Listing
 - a. Board Agenda Contracts
2. Property Tax Collection Report
 - a. Tax Report
3. Revenue and Expenditure
 - a. Revenue and Expenditure Report
 - b. Revenue and Expenditure Report - \$16 Million Donation
 - c. Revenue and Expenditure Report - Capital Projects Fund
4. Budget Transfers and Amendments
 - a. Budget Transfers and Amendments - General Fund #11
5. Quarterly Investment Report

D. Annual Approval of Investment Policy

E. Broker Dealer Listing

F. Investment Officer Training Sources

G. Wearable Panic Devices and Visitor Management System

Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations; Neal Sandlin, Chief of Security and Emergency Preparedness

Ms. Liles made the motion to approve the Wearable Panic Devices and Visitor Management System as presented. Mr. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

H. Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System - List of Certified Appraisers

Karry Chapman, Chief of Human Capital

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

A. Expansion of Choice Portfolio to Include Esports and Artificial

Intelligence Programming
Traci Davis, Associate Superintendent of Academics, Innovation,
and School Leadership

Mr. Brooks made the motion to approve the Expansion of Choice Portfolio to Include Esports and Artificial Intelligence Programming as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

B. Local Policy Updates

Dr. Melissa Kates, Legal Counsel

Ms. Liles made the motion to approve the Local Policy Updates as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

11. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. 2025 STAAR Performance Update

Dr. Melissa Steger, Chief Data and Information Systems Officer

B. Summer Project Updates

Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

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

Esmeralda Rodriguez

13. **COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**

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

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

President Moffitt adjourned the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Approved: August 14, 2025

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____

Secretary, Board of Education

Budget Workshop

Thursday, July 17, 2025, 5:30 PM

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

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

Board President Amber Moffitt called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Other trustees present were Gloria Carrillo, Nancy Bridges, Emily Liles, David Espinosa, and Bryan Parra. Terry Brooks will be joining in Closed Session.

2. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

A. Personnel Matters (§ 551.074)

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E. Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits (§§ 551.076; .089).

The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices; or a security audit.

1. Intruder Detection Audit

3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:18 p.m.

4. OPEN FORUM FOR AGENDA ITEMS

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

5. BUDGET WORKSHOP

A. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. 2025-2026 Budget Planning Update

Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations; Kristin Byrd, Chief Financial Officer

2. Discuss Changes and Impact to Local, State, and Federal Funding

Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations; Kristin Byrd, Chief Financial Officer

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

President Moffitt adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Approved: August 14, 2025

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education

Special Meeting

Monday, July 28, 2025, 5:30 PM

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

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

Board President Amber Moffitt called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Other trustees present were Gloria Carrillo, Terry Brooks, Nancy Bridges, Emily Liles, David Espinosa, and Bryan Parra.

2. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

A. Personnel Matters (§ 551.074)

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1. Intruder Detection Audit

3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:57 p.m.

4. ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

No action taken.

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5. OPEN FORUM FOR AGENDA ITEMS

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

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ACTION AGENDA ITEMS

A. 2025-2026 Compensation Plan and Hiring Schedules

Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations; Kristin Byrd, Chief Financial Officer

Ms. Liles made the motion to approve the 2025-2026 Compensation Plan and Hiring Schedules as presented.

COMPENSATION PLAN:

Teacher Pay Schedule (for Teachers ONLY)

The starting salary for teachers is now \$64,000 for those with 0 years of experience (up from \$63,000 last year).

In compliance with House Bill 2 (HB2) for teachers with 3-4 completed years of experience, GPISD is also including teachers with 1-2 completed years of experience, as follows:

- o Teachers with 1-4 years of experience will receive a \$2,500 increase.
- o Teachers with 5 or more years of experience will receive a \$5,000 increase.

One-Time Payments for Returning Non-Teacher Employees based on years of experience (includes Instructional Support and Other Professional Support on a pay matrix, Maintenance & Operations, Child Nutrition, Transportation, Paraprofessional, Professional and Technical Support, and Administrative pay schedules):

- 1-4 years of experience:
 - o \$2,000 total, paid in two installments:
 - o November 2025
 - o April 2026
- 5 or more years of experience:
 - o \$3,000 total, also paid in two installments:
 - o November 2025
 - o April 2026
- Eligibility requirements include:
 - o For the November installment - hired as of 9/18/2025 and remain employed through the November payroll cutoff date.
 - o For the April installment - hired as of 2/20/2026 and remain employed through the April payroll cutoff date.

Mr. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

7. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Local Policy Updates
Dr. Melissa Kates, Legal Counsel

8. ADJOURNMENT

President Moffitt adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Approved: August 14, 2025

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education



**GRAND PRAIRIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2025**

MAINTENANCE & OPERATION (M&O)

Description	2024-2025		JUNE	
	Original Budget	Revised Budget	2024-2025 Monthly Activity	2024-2025 FYTD Activity
LOCAL TAXES-CURRENT	\$ 99,004,150.00	\$ 98,304,150.00	\$ 192,871.98	\$ 98,684,115.78
LOCAL TAXES-PRIOR YR	700,000.00	(500,000.00)	2,535.54	(400,663.96)
PENALTY/INTEREST	500,000.00	500,000.00	83,368.75	566,017.95
TOTAL	\$ 100,204,150.00	\$ 98,304,150.00	\$ 278,776.27	\$ 98,849,469.77

INTEREST & SINKING (I&S)

Description	2024-2025		JUNE	
	Original Budget	Revised Budget	2024-2025 Monthly Activity	2024-2025 FYTD Activity
LOCAL TAXES - CUR YR	\$ 39,850,000.00	\$ 39,600,000.00	\$ 77,255.90	\$ 39,528,528.05
LOCAL TAXES - PRIOR YEAR	100,000.00	100,000.00	(949.72)	(191,084.87)
PENALTY/INTEREST/DEL	50,000.00	50,000.00	34,051.59	230,664.79
TOTAL	\$ 40,000,000.00	\$ 39,750,000.00	\$ 110,357.77	\$ 39,568,107.97

This report is prepared for the Board of Trustees meeting held August 14, 2025.

2024-2025 GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2025

	General Fund Original Budget	June 30, 2025 Amended Budget	06/30/25 Revenue, Expenditures, and Change in FB	% of Budget
REVENUES:				
5700 Local revenues	\$ 111,959,150	\$ 108,484,150	\$ 107,719,546	99%
5800 State revenues	173,892,315	171,308,993	131,837,079	77%
5900 Federal revenues	2,330,000	2,940,000	1,085,318	37%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 288,181,465	\$ 282,733,143	\$ 240,641,943	85%
EXPENDITURES:				
11 Instruction	\$ 173,193,831	\$ 169,686,417	\$ 119,443,046	70%
12 Inst. Resources/Media	3,381,558	3,272,130	2,423,861	74%
13 Curr & Staff Develop	3,300,393	3,295,768	1,955,669	59%
21 Inst Leadership	5,377,921	5,392,287	4,401,748	82%
23 School Leadership	20,331,486	20,367,755	16,108,809	79%
31 Guidance/Counseling	12,914,276	12,530,773	9,540,183	76%
32 Social Services	1,057,700	1,020,288	758,920	74%
33 Health Services	3,934,927	3,983,367	2,794,960	70%
34 Transportation	7,524,808	8,827,206	7,141,542	81%
35 Food Service	76,250	107,000	-	0%
36 Extra-Curricular	6,280,584	6,648,029	5,227,206	79%
41 General Admin.	7,575,789	8,302,933	6,628,539	80%
51 Maint & Operations	32,616,470	35,230,488	25,930,801	74%
52 Security	6,261,966	6,256,966	4,366,768	70%
53 Data Processing	8,152,201	8,153,736	6,586,318	81%
61 Community Services	4,607,753	4,409,316	2,988,671	68%
71 Debt Service	1,201,600	1,201,600	1,075,400	89%
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	143,763	392,704	34,637	9%
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	31,450	31,450	11,778	37%
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	0%
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	420,939	477,130	477,130	100%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 298,385,665	\$ 299,587,343	\$ 217,895,986	73%
OTHER SOURCES:				
7912 Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ 700,000	\$ 729,320	
7913 Proceeds from Capital Leases	-	-	-	
7915 Operating Transfer In	-	-	-	
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ 700,000	\$ 729,320	
OTHER USES:				
8911 Operating Transfer Out	\$ -	\$ 10,461,000	\$ 10,461,000	
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ 10,461,000	\$ 10,461,000	
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (10,204,200)	\$ (26,615,200)	\$ 13,014,277	

2024-2025 GENERAL FUND - MACKENZIE SCOTT DONATION
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2025

	MacKenzie Scott Donation Original Budget	June 30, 2025 Amended Budget	06/30/25 Revenue, Expenditures, and Change in FB	% of Budget
REVENUES:				
5700 Local revenues	\$ 450,000	\$ 450,000	\$ 385,529	86%
5800 State revenues	-	-	-	0%
5900 Federal revenues	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 450,000	\$ 450,000	\$ 385,529	86%
EXPENDITURES:				
11 Instruction	\$ 3,589,244	\$ 3,424,244	\$ 181,403	5%
12 Inst. Resources/Media	-	-	-	0%
13 Curr & Staff Develop	-	-	-	0%
21 Inst Leadership	-	-	-	0%
23 School Leadership	-	-	-	0%
31 Guidance/Counseling	1,148,196	1,148,196	1,144,361	100%
32 Social Services	-	-	-	0%
33 Health Services	-	-	-	0%
34 Transportation	-	-	-	0%
35 Food Service	-	-	-	0%
36 Extra-Curricular	849,438	849,438	849,437	100%
41 General Admin.	-	-	-	0%
51 Maint & Operations	-	-	-	0%
52 Security	-	-	-	0%
53 Data Processing	-	-	-	0%
61 Community Services	-	-	-	0%
71 Debt Service	-	-	-	0%
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	5,822,107	5,987,107	151,273	3%
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	-	-	-	0%
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	0%
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 11,408,985	\$ 11,408,985	\$ 2,326,474	20%
OTHER SOURCES:				
7912 Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
7913 Proceeds from Capital Leases	-	-	-	
7915 Operating Transfer In	-	-	-	
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
OTHER USES:				
8911 Operating Transfer Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (10,958,985)	\$ (10,958,985)	\$ (1,940,945)	

8/31/24 FUND BALANCE	\$ 11,411,535
2024-2025 Revenue (Interest Earnings) as of 06/30/25	\$ 385,529
2024-2025 Expenditures as of 06/30/25	\$ (2,326,474)
06/30/25 FUND BALANCE	\$ 9,470,590

**2024-2025 LOCALLY DEFINED CAPITAL PROJECT FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2025**

	Locally Defined Capital Project Fund Original Budget	June 30, 2025 Amended Budget	06/30/25 Revenue, Expenditures, and Change in FB	% of Budget
REVENUES:				
5700 Local revenues	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 450,099	209%
5800 State revenues	-	-	-	0%
5900 Federal revenues	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 450,099	209%
EXPENDITURES:				
11 Instruction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
12 Inst. Resources/Media	-	-	-	0%
13 Curr & Staff Develop	-	-	-	0%
21 Inst Leadership	-	-	-	0%
23 School Leadership	-	-	-	0%
31 Guidance/Counseling	-	-	-	0%
32 Social Services	-	-	-	0%
33 Health Services	-	-	-	0%
34 Transportation	-	-	-	0%
35 Food Service	-	-	-	0%
36 Extra-Curricular	-	-	-	0%
41 General Admin.	-	-	-	0%
51 Maint & Operations	245,909	221,100	-	0%
52 Security	399,922	-	-	0%
53 Data Processing	6,613,995	6,613,995	3,574,352	54%
61 Community Services	-	-	-	0%
71 Debt Service	-	-	-	0%
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	671,618	11,557,349	2,658,326	23%
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	-	-	-	0%
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	0%
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 7,931,444	\$ 18,392,444	\$ 6,232,678	34%
OTHER SOURCES:				
7912 Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
7913 Proceeds from Capital Leases	-	-	-	
7915 Operating Transfer In	-	10,461,000	10,461,000	
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ 10,461,000	\$ 10,461,000	
OTHER USES:				
8911 Operating Transfer Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (7,716,444)	\$ (7,716,444)	\$ 4,678,421	

08/31/24 FUND BALANCE	\$ 9,031,093
2024-2025 Revenue (Interest Earnings) as of 06/30/25	\$ 450,099
2024-2025 Transfer In from General Fund as of 06/30/25	\$ 10,461,000
2024-2025 Expenditures as of 06/30/25	\$ (6,232,678)
06/30/25 FUND BALANCE	\$ 13,709,514

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Topic: Memorandum of Understanding for DCJJAEP

Submitted by: Dr. Tamela Horton, Deputy Superintendent of Academics

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees adopt the Memorandum of Understanding for Dallas County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program for the 2025-2026 school year. This is the same agreement that is approved by the Board every year.

Rationale:

The agreement is in compliance with the Texas Education Code, Chapter 37, which requires that a county with a population greater than 125,000 develop a juvenile justice alternative education program.

The agreement outlines the responsibilities between the Dallas County Juvenile Board and Region 10 Education Service Center.

Budget Information:

Local Funds

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

FODA(LEGAL)

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Topic: Public Information Act Schedule for 2025-2026

Submitted by: Dr. Melissa Kates, General Counsel

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The Administration is presenting information to the Board regarding the schedule of nonbusiness days that will guide the completion of requests under the Public Information Act. The details of the schedule are presented in Exhibit 1 (attached).

Under Texas Government Code Chapter 552, the Board must approve nonbusiness days to be used under open records request response timelines.

Rationale:

The Texas Attorney General's office has established specific timeframes for the fulfillment of requests for information from members of the public. The schedule of nonbusiness days that affect those timeframes must be updated yearly to reflect federal and state holidays, along with additional days permitted under Chapter 552.

Budget Information:

No budgetary impact.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

GBAA(LEGAL), GBAA(LOCAL)



EXHIBIT 1

Public Information Act Schedule, 2025-26

Rationale: As required by the Public Information Act (PIA), Grand Prairie ISD responds to requests for information presented by the public. The timeframes established for responding to individuals and requesting decisions by the state’s attorney general regarding the exemption from release of specific types of information do not include federal and state holidays. In addition, House Bill 3033 allows for an additional 10 days to be designated as nonbusiness days in processing PIA requests. Grand Prairie ISD’s comprehensive schedule of PIA nonbusiness days for the 2025-2026 school year is as follows, with federal holidays marked in yellow, state holidays in blue, and Texas Government Code Chapter 552 days in green:

2025

September 1 Labor Day (Monday)

September 19 (Friday)

October 13 Columbus Day (Monday)

(Known as Indigenous Peoples’ Day in GPISD)

October 24 (Friday)

November 11 Veterans Day (Tuesday)

November 19 (Wednesday)

November 27 Thanksgiving Day (Thursday)

November 28 Day after Thanksgiving (Friday)

December 24 Christmas Eve Day (Wednesday;
all state agencies)

December 25 Christmas Day (Thursday)

December 26 Day after Christmas (Friday; all
state agencies closed)

2026

January 1 New Year’s Day (Thursday)

January 19 Confederate Heroes Day (Monday)

January 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
(Monday)

February 16 Washington’s Birthday (Monday)

(Known as President’s Day at state level)

February 27 (Friday)

March 2 Texas Independence Day (Monday)

March 20 (Friday)

March 31 Cesar Chávez Day (Tuesday; optional)

April 3 Good Friday

April 21 San Jacinto Day (Tuesday; skeleton
crew required)

May 11 (Monday)

May 25 Memorial Day (Monday)

June 12 (Friday)

June 19 Juneteenth National Independence
Day (Friday)

(Known as Emancipation Day in Texas; skeleton
crew required)

Independence Day (observed Friday July 3)

July 6-7 (Monday, Tuesday)

August 10 (Monday)

August 27 LBJ Day (Thursday; skeleton crew
required)

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Topic: Cooperative Program Membership Fees

Submitted by: Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the following annual Purchasing Department membership expenditures:

- 1) \$100.00 to the Educational Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas
- 2) \$100.00 to the State of Texas Cooperative Purchasing Program
- 3) \$150.00 to the Central Texas Purchasing Alliance

Rationale:

Requirement by TEC Section 44.0331 – A school district that enters into a purchasing contract valued at \$25,000 or more under Section 44.031 (Purchasing Contracts)(a)(5), under Subchapter F (Definitions), Chapter 271 (Purchasing and Contracting Authority of Municipalities, Counties, and Certain Other Local Governments), Local Government Code, or under any other cooperative purchasing program authorized for school districts by law shall annually document a contract-related fee, including a management fee, paid by or to the district and the purpose of each fee under the contract.

Budget Information:

General Fund

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

GRB(LEGAL) - Relations with Governmental Entities: Interlocal Cooperation Contracts

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Topic: Approval of Cooperative Agreement between Grand Prairie Independent School District's Special Education Department and Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc.

Submitted by: Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the cooperative agreement between Grand Prairie ISD's Special Education Department and Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc. for educational and related services for children with disabilities.

Rationale:

This cooperative agreement with Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc., will allow the District's Special Education Department and Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc. to collaborate in all areas of educational and related services for children with disabilities in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and policies/procedures of both sponsoring agencies.

This Agreement shall be in effect for the 2025-2026 school year and will be reviewed annually or on an as-needed basis. Either party may terminate the agreement upon thirty (30) days' written notice. Both Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc. and the District's Special Education Department shall follow the requirements as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Budget Information:

N/A

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Topic: Approval of Shared Services Arrangement Agreement between Grand Prairie Independent School District's Special Education Department and Dallas Independent School District's Dallas Regional Day School Program for the Deaf

Submitted by: Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Shared Services Arrangement Agreement between Grand Prairie Independent School District's Special Education Department and Dallas Independent School District's Dallas Regional Day School Program for the Deaf for educational and related services for children with disabilities.

Rationale:

This shared services arrangement agreement with Dallas Independent School District's Dallas Regional Day School Program for the Deaf will allow Grand Prairie Independent School District Special Education Department and Dallas Regional Day School for the Deaf to collaborate in all areas of educational and related services for children who are deaf or hard of hearing in compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act 1973, the Amendments to the Americans with Disabilities Act 2008, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and policies/procedures of both sponsoring agencies.

This Agreement shall be in effect July 1, 2025, and terminate on June 30, 2028. Any party may terminate the agreement with written notice of forty-five (45) business days.

Budget Information:

224 IDEA-B Funds

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

CH (LEGAL) and CH (LOCAL)

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Topic: Resolution Approving Application of GASB 54 Standards for 2024-2025

Submitted by: Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends that the Board approve the Resolution Approving the Application of GASB 54 Standards for 2024-2025.

Rationale:

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board adopted Statement No. 54 (GASB 54). This standard applies to governmental fund balance reporting and governmental fund type definitions. GASB 54 was effective in governmental fiscal years starting after June 15, 2010.

This Resolution contains the required components, establishes the GASB 54 implementation guidelines as they apply to Grand Prairie ISD, and ensures compliance from an audit perspective.

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

CE(LOCAL)

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Topic: Out-of-State Travel – 2025 Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship National Competition – New York, NY

Submitted by: Traci Davis, Strategic Innovation Officer

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The GPISD CTE Department requests consideration of the approval of out-of-state travel for the 2025 National Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge through the Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE) in New York City, NY, October 7-9, 2025. Students from School for the Highly Gifted will attend.

Rationale:

The students from SHG have qualified for the national competition.

Budget Information:

Local General Fund

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EHBF(LEGAL)-SPECIAL PROGRAMS: CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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Topic: Out-of-State Travel to 2025 SkillsUSA Washington Leadership Training

Submitted by: Traci Davis, Strategic Innovation Officer

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The GPISD CTE Department asks that the Board approve out-of-state travel to the 2025 SkillsUSA Washington Leadership Training Institute to be held in Washington, DC, September 19-25, 2025. National, Texas state, and district officers from Grand Prairie Collegiate Institute and Dubiski Career High School will attend.

Rationale:

SkillsUSA student state officers will have the opportunity to train with state officers from across the country and will participate in legislative visits.

Potential educational opportunities include visits to the 9/11 Pentagon Memorial and National Cemetery.

Budget Information:

Local General Fund

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EHBF(LEGAL) - SPECIAL PROGRAMS: CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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Topic: 2025-2026 Student Code of Conduct

Submitted by: Dr. Tamela Horton, Deputy Superintendent of Academics

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends that the Board adopt the Student Code of Conduct for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale:

The Student Code of Conduct is aligned annually to changes in current laws and recent court decisions in this area.

Budget Information:

No budgetary impact.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

FO(LOCAL)

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Topic: Policy Updates from 89th Legislative Session

Submitted by: Dr. Melissa Kates, General Counsel

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

As a result of the 89th Legislative Session, many bills affecting public schools were passed. The four policies below require Board action prior to September of 2025. These policies will be brought to the Board for approval at the August 14, 2025, regular meeting. Additional policy updates will follow in the coming months.

Rationale:

The adoption of the specific Board policies listed below now requires timely Board approval:

EFB(L) – Library materials, SB 13

FD(L)/FM(L) – Opt-out for participation by homeschooled students in extracurricular activities, SB 401

FNCE(L) – Personal communication devices, HB 1481

Budget Information:

No budgetary impact.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EFB(L); FD(L); FM(L); FNCE(L)

PROPOSED REVISIONS

Persons Age 21 and Over	The District shall admit persons who are at least age 21 and under age 26 for the purpose of completing the requirements for a high school diploma.
Registration Forms	The student's parent, legal guardian, or other person having lawful control shall annually complete registration forms. A student who has reached age 18 shall be permitted to complete these forms.
Proof of Residency	In accordance with administrative regulations, the parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control of the student under order of a court shall present proof of residency. The District may investigate stated residency as necessary.
Minor Living Apart	A minor student residing in the District but whose parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control under a court order does not reside in the District shall present a power of attorney or an authorization agreement as provided in Chapter 34 of the Family Code assigning responsibility for the student in all school-related matters to an adult resident of the District.
Person Standing in Parental Relation	
Misconduct	A minor student living apart who has engaged in misconduct that results in any of the consequences found in Education Code 25.001(d) shall not be permitted to attend a District school.
Exceptions	Based on an individual student's circumstance, the Superintendent shall have authority to grant exceptions to the requirement for a power of attorney or authorization agreement and to the exclusion for misconduct.
Extracurricular Activities	The Superintendent shall determine whether a minor student living apart is present in the District for the primary purpose of participating in extracurricular activities.
<u>Students Not Enrolled</u>	<u>A student enrolled in a private school, including a homeschool, shall not be eligible for concurrent enrollment in the District nor for participation in curricular or extracurricular activities. [See EEL and FM]</u>
Nonresident Student in Grandparent's After-School Care	The parent and grandparent of a nonresident student requesting admission under Education Code 25.001(b)(9) shall provide to the Superintendent the required information on the grandparent's residency and complete a form provided by the District describing the extent of after-school care to be provided by the grandparent. The Superintendent shall have authority to approve or deny such admissions requests in accordance with criteria approved by the Board.
"Accredited" Defined	For the purposes of this policy, "accredited" shall be defined as accreditation by TEA, an equivalent agency from another state, or an

accrediting association recognized by the commissioner of education.

Grade-Level Placement

Accredited Schools

The parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control of a student enrolling in a District school from an accredited public, private, or parochial school shall provide evidence of the prior schooling outside the District. The student shall be placed initially at the grade level reached elsewhere, pending observation by the classroom teacher, guidance personnel, and the principal. On the basis of these observations and results of tests that may be administered by appropriate District personnel, the principal shall determine the final grade placement.

Nonaccredited Schools

A student enrolling in a District school from a nonaccredited public, private, or parochial school, including a homeschool, shall be placed initially at the discretion of the principal, pending observation by classroom teachers, guidance personnel, and the principal. Criteria for placement may include:

1. Scores on achievement tests, which may be administered by appropriate District personnel.
2. Recommendation of the sending school.
3. Prior academic record.
4. Chronological age and social and emotional development of the student.
5. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal.

Transfer of Credit

Accredited Texas Public Schools

Credit toward state graduation requirements earned in an accredited public school district in Texas shall be transferable and recognized by the District.

Other Accredited or Nonaccredited Schools

Before recognizing credit in a course earned in an accredited non-public school, an accredited school outside of Texas, or a nonaccredited school, appropriate personnel shall evaluate a student's records and transcript. The District may require the student to demonstrate mastery of the content or use alternative methods to verify course content for the award of credit.

Transition Assistance

In accordance with law, when a student who is identified as homeless or in substitute care enrolls in the District, the District shall assess the student's available records and other relevant information to ensure credit, including proportionate credit, is awarded appropriately for all subjects and courses taken prior to enrollment.

[See EI]

Withdrawal

A parent or guardian wishing to withdraw a minor student shall present a signed statement that includes the reason for the withdrawal. A student who is 18 or older may submit a withdrawal statement without a parent's or guardian's signature.

[For District withdrawal of students no longer in attendance, see FEA(LOCAL).]

PROPOSED REVISIONS

Extracurricular Activity Absences

The District shall make no distinction between absences for UIL activities and absences for other extracurricular activities approved by the Board.

A student shall be allowed in a school year a maximum of 20 extracurricular absences not related to post-district competition; however, the District shall not limit an eligible student's ~~shall be allowed unlimited~~ absences for participation in post-district, state, or national competition.

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

Use of District Facilities

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

PROPOSED REVISIONS

Note: For searches of personal ~~tele~~communications ~~s~~ devices or other personal electronic devices, see FNF.

Personal Communication Devices

A student shall not use a personal communication device on school property during the school day. While on school property, the student shall store any personal communication device in accordance with administrative regulations.

A student who violates this policy or any regulations shall be subject to discipline in accordance with the Board-adopted Student Code of Conduct.

An authorized District employee shall confiscate a student's personal communication device that is used in violation of this policy or any applicable regulations.

If a personal communication device is not retrieved, the District shall dispose of the device after providing the notice required by law.

Exceptions

A student shall be authorized to use a personal communication device on school property during the school day only under the following circumstances:

1. The student's use is necessary for implementation of the student's individualized education program, a 504 plan, or a similar program or plan;
2. The student's use is required due to a documented need based on a directive from a qualified physician; or
3. The student's use is necessary to comply with a health or safety requirement imposed by law or as part of the District or campus safety protocols.

Implementation

The Superintendent shall develop regulations to implement this policy.

Compliance

Annually, the Superintendent shall report to the Board on the implementation and compliance of this policy.

~~Personal Use~~

~~Telecommunications Devices~~

~~An authorized District employee may confiscate a personal telecommunications device, including a mobile telephone, used in violation of applicable campus rules.~~

~~A confiscated personal telecommunications device shall be released for a fee determined by the Board. In accordance with the~~

~~student handbook, the student or the student's parents may retrieve the device after paying the fee.~~

~~If a personal telecommunications device is not retrieved, the District shall dispose of the device after providing notice required by law.~~

~~Other Electronic
Devices~~

~~Guidelines regarding other personal electronic devices shall be addressed in the student handbook.~~

Instructional Use

~~A student shall obtain prior approval before using personal telecommunications or other personal electronic devices for on-campus instructional purposes. The student shall also acknowledge receipt and understanding of applicable regulations and shall sign the appropriate user agreements. [See CQ]~~

PROPOSED POLICY

Note: For information related to the selection of instructional materials, see EFA.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the District provides a wide range of library materials for students and faculty that support student achievement and present varying levels of difficulty, diversity of appeal, and a variety of points of view. This policy also provides standards for collection development and the selection and evaluation of library materials.

Collection Development Policy

In this policy, "library materials" is defined by law and may include printed and electronic library acquisitions, including online catalogs, and other ancillary or supplementary materials maintained in a campus library. [See EFB(LEGAL)]

The library collection development standards shall apply to all library materials available for use or display, including material contained in school libraries, classroom libraries, online catalogs, library mobile applications used in the District, and any other library catalog a student may access.

In developing library collections, the District shall consider the age groups, grade levels, and access to library material by all students on a campus.

Responsibility

The District shall ensure librarians, professional library staff, and other designated professional staff are trained or receive information on the proper collection development standards.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative procedures to ensure that library collections comply with applicable law, library standards, and the District's collection development purpose and goals.

Collection Development Goals

In addition to the requirements in state law and rules, the District's library collections shall:

1. Present multiple viewpoints related to controversial issues [see EMB regarding instruction about controversial issues].
2. Provide a wide range of background information that will enable students to make intelligent decisions in their daily lives.
3. Include accurate and authentic factual content from authoritative sources.
4. Have a high degree of potential user appeal and interest.

5. Offer a global perspective that promotes equity of access, including print and nonprint materials such as electronic and multimedia, to meet the needs of individual learners.
6. Represent diverse viewpoints and cultural groups of the state and their contributions to the state, the nation, and the world, to ensure the collection embodies the background of all students.

Recommendation
and Procurement of
Materials

Library materials shall be recommended and procured in accordance with guidelines adopted by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and the District standards and priorities expressed in this policy.

Librarians and other professional staff shall develop recommendations to be presented to the Board. The librarians and other professional staff shall ensure that the materials:

1. Enrich and support the TEKS and the state and local curriculum, taking into consideration students' varied interests, maturity levels, abilities, and learning styles.
2. Foster growth in factual knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic values, and societal standards.
3. Encourage the enjoyment of reading, foster high-level thinking skills, support personal learning, and encourage discussion based on rational analysis.
4. Represent ethnic, religious, and cultural groups of the state and their contributions to the state, the nation, and the world.

The Superintendent shall ensure that administrative procedures regarding the development of recommendations of library materials consider at least two of the following factors:

1. Recommendations from students, parents or guardians, teachers, and District residents.
2. Consultation with District teachers and library staff.
3. Consultation with library staff from other districts.
4. Extensive review of the library material.
5. Context of the library material, including overall fit within the existing collection and support of District curriculum.
6. Reviews of the library material from sources such as professional journals in library science, recognized professional education or content journals with book reviews, national and

state award recognition lists, library science field experts, and highly acclaimed author and literacy expert recommendations.

7. Coverage of topics, authors, series, or genres that fill gaps in the school library collection.

The Board shall consider the list of library materials that have been donated or proposed by the administration for procurement. Each Board member may propose changes before the Board takes action on the list of donated or proposed library materials.

The Board shall either approve or reject the library materials that have been donated or proposed for procurement.

Donated and
Proposed
Procurement List

At least 30 days prior to the Board's vote to accept donated library materials or approve procurement of library materials, the Superintendent shall make accessible to the public the list of library materials in accordance with law.

Access Plan

The District shall allow efficient parental access to the District's library and any available online catalogs.

Online catalogs shall be publicly available. The District shall publish information about library material titles, including how and where material can be accessed.

Each campus shall communicate the following to parents and guardians:

- Access to policies relating to school libraries and library materials;
- Consistent access to library materials and resources; and
- Opportunities for students, parents and guardians, educators, and community members to provide feedback on library materials and services.

Parental
Involvement

Parents and guardians are the primary decision-makers regarding their child's access to library material. In general, a student is afforded the opportunity to self-select library materials as part of literacy development and the library program. District staff may assist a student in selecting library material; however, the ultimate determination of appropriateness remains with the student and parent or guardian. Parents and guardians are encouraged to communicate with the campus librarian and their child's teacher about special considerations regarding library materials self-selected by their child.

In accordance with state law and administrative procedures, parents or guardians may submit to the principal or a staff member

designated by the principal a list of library materials that the parent's or guardian's child shall not be allowed to check out or access for use outside of the school library. The Superintendent shall develop procedures that permit a parent or guardian to submit the request in at least one of the methods permitted by law.

The parent or guardian may select alternative library materials for their child. [For information on parental rights regarding instructional materials and other instructional resources, see EFA(LEGAL).]

The District shall focus on maximizing transparency with parents while meeting student needs and providing enrichment opportunities with library materials. Parental involvement in library acquisition, maintenance, and campus activities is encouraged.

*Access
Procedures*

School Library

A parent or guardian who wishes to access a school's library shall first submit a request to the principal. The principal or a staff member designated by the principal shall work with the parent or guardian to determine a time to access the library that will not interfere with the delivery of instruction or disrupt student use of library services.

Library Catalog

A parent or guardian who wishes to access the catalog of library materials for any school in the District shall submit a written request to the school's principal. The principal or a staff member designated by the principal shall respond to the request in accordance with administrative procedures.

Protection from
Inappropriate
Material

In accordance with law and guidance from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, library materials shall not include "harmful material"; any library material that is pervasively vulgar or educationally unsuitable; any library material containing indecent or profane content; any library material that refers a person to a website, including by use of a link or QR code, containing content legally prohibited under law; or any other material legally prohibited from inclusion in a public school library. [See EFB(LEGAL)]

Obscene material is not protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.

Library materials shall comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), including technology protection measures. [See CQ]

**Challenge of Library
Material**

A District employee, a parent or guardian of a District student, or District resident may challenge library material maintained in the District's library program.

Guiding Principles	<p>The following principles shall guide the review of a challenge of library material:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="560 373 1435 552">1. An individual may challenge library material used in the District's library program, despite the fact that the professional staff and the Board followed the proper procedure and adhered to the objectives and criteria for recommending and procuring library materials set out in this policy.<li data-bbox="560 569 1435 642">2. Access to challenged material shall be restricted during the challenge process. <p>In addition to compliance with state law and this policy, a criterion for the final decision on challenged library materials is the appropriateness of the material for its intended use. No challenged library material shall be removed solely because of the ideas expressed in the library material or the personal background of the library material's author or the personal background of the characters in the material.</p>
Informal Challenge	<p>When the District or a campus receives an objection to the appropriateness of a library material, the appropriate librarian or administrator shall try to resolve the matter informally. The librarian or administrator shall explain the selection process and discuss the intended purpose for the library material.</p> <p>The librarian or administrator shall offer a concerned parent or guardian an alternative library material to be used by the child in place of the material and, if requested, shall restrict the child's access to the material objected to by the parent or guardian.</p> <p>If the individual wishes to make a formal challenge, the administrator shall make available to the individual a copy of this policy and the form to request a formal challenge of the library material.</p>
Formal Challenge	<p>The District shall make the Texas Education Agency form to challenge library material available on the District's website.</p> <p>If a District employee, a parent or guardian of a District student, or a District resident wishes to challenge library material, they shall follow the procedures to complete and submit the challenge form.</p> <p>After a challenge form is submitted, the form shall be provided to the Superintendent. Copies of the form shall be provided to the school librarian, the Board, and any other staff designated in administrative procedures.</p>
<i>Challenge Committee</i>	<p>The Superintendent shall appoint a challenge committee and notify committee members in accordance with administrative procedures.</p>

The challenge committee shall include the librarian and at least one member of the instructional staff who is familiar with the material's content. Other members of the committee may include District-level staff, secondary-level students, parents or guardians, and any other appropriate individuals.

The District shall provide members of the committee the relevant materials to review in accordance with the deadlines established in administrative procedures and in accordance with law.

Any meeting of the committee must comply with the meeting requirements under Education Code 33.024(g) and (h), including required notices, meeting minutes, audio or video recordings, and submission of minutes and audio or video recordings of the meeting to the District.

All members of the committee shall review the challenged library material in its entirety and determine whether the material conforms to this policy and whether the material will continue to be available in the library. The committee shall prepare a written report of its findings.

The Superintendent, the school librarian, the individual submitting the challenge, and any other appropriate staff shall receive a copy of the committee's report.

Appeal

An individual who submitted a challenge may appeal the decision to the Board. The individual must provide the notice of appeal in accordance with administrative procedures.

The Board shall hear the appeal and render a decision in accordance with the timelines established in law.

When considering the appeal, the Board shall consider the factors in Education Code 33.027(f). The Board shall consider appeals in accordance with timelines set out in law.

*Frequency of
Review*

After a library material has been challenged and the Board determines not to remove the library material from a school library catalog, it may not be challenged again before the second anniversary of the Board's final decision not to remove the material.

Removal of Library
Materials

If a challenge to a library material results in the removal of the library material from the school library catalog, each teacher assigned as the classroom teacher at the grade level for which the library material was removed shall be notified and instructed to remove any copy of the library material from the teacher's classroom library, if applicable.

**Maintenance of
Library Materials**

In accordance with state guidelines and District administrative procedures, collections shall be evaluated and updated regularly based on the collections' age, relevance, diversity, and variety. The Superintendent shall ensure administrative procedures are established for regular maintenance of the library collection on each campus. Standard maintenance procedures for any library collection include repair, replacement, and removal of materials as necessary. Regular maintenance shall also include scheduled inventories of the collection. Disposal of any District-owned library materials shall be in accordance with District policy and procedures. [See CI]

Gifts and Donations

The Board shall accept gifts and donations of library materials with the understanding that the use and disposition of the materials and monies will be in accordance with District policy and the selection criteria noted above. [See CDC]

Policy Review

This policy shall be reviewed at least every three years and revised as necessary.

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Topic: Three-year Safety and Security Audit

Submitted by: Dr. Thurston Lamb, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 8/14/2025

Recommendation:

The Security and Emergency Preparedness Department is currently evaluating vendors to conduct required physical security audits for all GPISD facilities. A vendor will be selected by committee and presented to the Board for action in September.

Rationale:

Texas Education Code 37.108 requires school districts to conduct safety and security audits of their facilities at least once every three years and to report the results to the Texas School Safety Center (TxSSC).

Budget Information:

Anticipated cost between \$50,000 and \$100,000

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

Texas Education Code 37.108