



Decatur Independent School District Board of Trustees Agenda Item

DECATUR
INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT

To: Board of Trustees
From: Taylor Williams, Superintendent
Subject: Approval of Low Attendance Day and Missed School Day Waivers
Meeting Date: June 15, 2026
Type of Item: X - Action
Supporting Documents: X – YES

SUMMARY:

Item 1) Approval is requested to apply for a Low Attendance Day Waiver to the Texas Education Agency (TEA). As allowed by TEA, “districts or campuses can request a waiver to excuse any instructional days from ADA and FSP funding calculations that have attendance at least 10 percentage points below the last school year’s overall average attendance, for the district or *applicable campus* due to inclement weather, health, or safety-related issues.”

Decatur High School and Young Elementary had a 10 percent or more drop in their campus average daily attendance on January 23, 2026, when compared to their ADA for the 2024-2025 school year. A summary of the ADA percentage information is included below:

Current Year Date	Current Year Campus ADA 2025-26	Prior Year Campus ADA 2024-25	Waiver Reason	Campus or District
1/23/2026	83%	94.934%	Weather	Young Elementary
1/23/2026	82.76	95.156%	Weather	Decatur High School

Item 2.) Approval is requested to apply for Missed School Days Waiver to TEA. Districts or campuses may request a waiver for excused absences if full instructional days are missed due to unanticipated issues related to inclement weather, health, or safety. The first two full days missed for any reason must be made up using either designated makeup days or additional minutes.

Decatur ISD was closed for four school days due to inclement weather, January 26 – 29, 2026. Designated makeup day, April 10, 2026, was used for January 26 and May 1, 2026, for January 27. We are applying for Missed School Day Waivers for January 28 -29, 2026.

Support of Strategic Goal:

Improve Operational Effectiveness and Efficiency

Benefit of Action:

Approval of this action will allow the district to submit a Low Attendance Day Waiver for the referenced dates, excluding those days from instructional day calculations related to ADA and FSP funding. The Missed School Day waivers allow the district to treat above mentioned dates as non-school days within the district’s attendance accounting system and exclude them from TSDS PEIMS reporting as instructional days.

Administrative Recommendation:

We ask that the board approve the Low Attendance and Missed School Day Waivers for the 2025-2026 School Year to be submitted for consideration to the Texas Education Agency

Staff Person Responsible:

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Respectfully Submitted,

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