



Devine Independent School District Board of Trustees Agenda Document

Meeting Date: June 15, 2026

Agenda Item: Policy FDA (LOCAL) Admissions: Interdistrict Transfers

Background Information:

On June 15, 2020, the School Board Adopted this policy to allow admission to transfer students on a tuition basis subject to admission criteria. Last year, the board set transfer tuition at \$500 for the first student and \$250 for each additional sibling to make it more affordable for families.

Policy FDA (LOCAL) states that the board will set the tuition amount.

Administrative Consideration:

Allowing transfer students helps increase school funding through higher enrollment numbers. The number of transfer students accepted are limited by criteria based on availability of space and instructional staff and the student's disciplinary history and attendance records.

The administration is not recommending any changes to the current transfer fee structure for the 2026-2027 school year. However, administration recommends placing additional emphasis on student attendance as part of the transfer approval and renewal process. Because state funding is directly tied to student attendance, improved attendance rates among transfer students support the district's ability to maximize funding and ensure resources are available to meet student needs. Administration recommends maintaining current fee levels while reinforcing attendance expectations for transfer students and families.

FDA Regulation allows tuition-free attendance for children of non-resident staff.

Budgetary Consideration:

\$28,600 in transfer tuition was collected in 2025-2026 with 134 transfer students. This was significantly less than last year because of the tuition reduction.

Supporting Documents:

FDA (Local)
FDA (Regulation & Exhibit)
Transfer Application Form and Contract

Recommendation:

Consider tuition fees.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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