

Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Florence Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Florence Independent School District will be held October 20, 2025, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Florence High School Library, 401 FM-970, Florence, TX 76527.

Videoconference Notice: A quorum of the Board of Trustees will be physically present at the Florence High School Library, 401 FM 970, Florence, Texas 76527, and it is the intent to have a quorum of the Board present at that location. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.127 if a quorum of the Board is physically present at the designated location, other Trustees may attend and participate in this meeting via videoconference.

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the board may enter into closed session at any time during deliberations pursuant to TOMA Governance Code Sections.

- 551.071 (consultation with attorney):
- 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property):
- 551.073 (deliberation regarding prospective gift):
- 551.074 (personnel matters):
- 551.076 (deliberation regarding security devices):
- 551.082 (discipline of student or complaints against employees):
- 551.083 (consultation with representative of employee group): and
- 551.084 (excluding witnesses from board investigation):

When appropriate the board may provide a brief clarification of board actions (not exceeding five minutes) immediately prior to closed session and/or prior to adjournment.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Pledges of Allegiance**
 - II.A. United States Pledge
 - II.B. Texas Pledge
- III. **Invocation**
- IV. **Recognitions**
 - IV.A. Student Recognitions
Presenter: Rick Kirkpatrick
 - IV.B. Florence Education Foundation Grant Awards
Presenter: Rick Kirkpatrick
 - IV.C. Teacher of the Month
Presenter: Rick Kirkpatrick
 - IV.D. National Principals Month Recognition

Presenter: Rick Kirkpatrick

- V. **Public Comment**
- VI. **Superintendent Report**
 - VI.A. Bilingual/ESL Program Report
Presenter: Dr. Kelly Avritt
- VII. **Consent Agenda: Consideration, Discussion and Appropriate Action**
 - VII.A. Minutes of September 15,2025 - Regular Meeting
 - VII.B. Minutes of September 22, 2025 - Special Meeting
 - VII.C. Resolution Stating the Board has Reviewed the Investment Policy and Investment Strategies of the District
 - VII.D. Resolution Approving the Independent Sources of Investment Officer Training
 - VII.E. Approve the List of Investment Brokers Used by Florence ISD
- VIII. **Items Brought Down from Other Agenda Sections for Discussion and Appropriate Action**
- IX. **Regular Business: Consideration, Discussion and Appropriate Action**
 - IX.A. Consideration and Possible Action to Nominate a Candidate for the TASB Board of Directors
Presenter: Rick Kirkpatrick
 - IX.B. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve a Contract with O'Connell Robertson for the HVAC Replacement Project
Presenter: Rick Kirkpatrick
 - IX.C. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve a Competitive Sealed Proposal (CSP) as the Procurement Method Providing the Best Value to the District for the HVAC Replacement Project and Authorize the Superintendent to Take All Action for the Procurement Pursuant to the Law and Board Policy
Presenter: Rick Kirkpatrick
- X. **Executive Session**
- XI. **Action Taken from Closed Session**
- XII. **Items for Future Board Meetings**
- XIII. **Reports (no board action required)**
 - XIII.A. Finance Reports
 - XIII.B. Enrollment/Attendance Report
 - XIII.C. Campus Reports
 - XIII.D. Resignations/New Hires
- XIV. **Adjournment**



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FES:

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| Kim Cannon (PK) Frog Street materials | \$1,000 |
| Alonso Cano (PK) Frog Street materials | \$1,000 |
| Reta Ratcliffe (K) Chick Hatching Incubator | \$157.88 |
| Grace Payne (K) Fine Motor Skills Materials | \$850.00 |
| Janna Jackson (3 rd) Graphic Novel books | \$500.00 |
| Sarah Stephens (4 th) SEL enrichment program to pilot 1 st year | \$7950.00 |
| Andrew Pence (4 th) & Karen Foote (5 th) FES Model Rocket Club materials | \$781.66 |
| Kendra Vaughan (counselor) Calm Down kits | \$495.66 |
| Kelly Powell (FES librarian para) Books for book vending machine | \$2,884.11 |
| Kelly Powell (FES librarian para) Makerspace/STEM materials | \$995.39 |

FMS:

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| Sheryl Goodnight & Tim Gonyea G-Force Bundle sensors | \$1651.00 |
| Alexis Davis (Choir) Choir uniforms | \$936.25 |
| Diana Ortiz (ART) Printmaking equipment | \$2,000.00 |

FHS:

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| Rolando Shaw (ART) art equipment | \$1999.38 |
| Amanda Merrell (Theater) cameras | \$989.97 |
| Christopher Believeau (Math) Gimkit Pro License | \$1,000.00 |
| Misty Overfelt (Health Science) SimStart EMT/EKG | \$7,260.39 |
| Denielle Bailey (Ag Science) Washer/Dryer | \$2,000.00 |

TOTAL:

\$34,451.69



STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Educators equip our next generation of leaders with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed. It is through a quality education that we place students firmly on a path that leads to a lifetime of excellence and achievement. Quality educators are vital to a strong, prosperous state, and this is true of the devoted principals throughout the Lone Star State.

The Texas education system depends upon the leadership of capable principals. They cast a vision for their school and work tirelessly to realize it. Principals are not only a source of inspiration for their students, but they are also visionary leaders for teachers and staff. Utilizing excellent communication skills, skilled analysis, and clear policies, principals are an important component of student success.

Each year, the month of October is set aside to honor the hard work and dedicated service of principals and to recognize the invaluable role they play in our education system and our future. The Lone Star State owes a debt of gratitude to these men and women who represent the best of Texas education.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to educate themselves about the contributions principals have made to our great state. Principals drive excellence that ensures a better and brighter future for all.

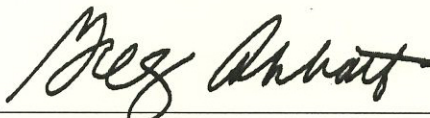
Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim October 2025 to be

Principals Month



in Texas and urge all Texans to observe the occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature this the 5th day of September, 2025.


Governor of Texas

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
FLORENCE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON §**

WHEREAS, Public Funds Investment Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 2256, requires the Board of Trustees of FLORENCE Independent School District to review the District's investment policy and investment strategies not less than annually;

WHEREAS, Texas Government Code §2256.005(e) as amended, further requires the governing body to adopt a written instrument by rule, order, ordinance, or resolution stating that it has reviewed the investment policy and investment strategies and that the written instrument so adopted shall record any changes made to either the investment policy or investment strategies;

WHEREAS, the Board of School Trustees of Florence Independent School District did on this date review its investment policy and investment strategies in a properly posted public meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

- I. The following policy and investment strategies have been adopted prior to this date by the Board of Trustees:

CDA (LEGAL), Other Revenues: Investments
CDA (LOCAL), Other Revenues: Investments

- II. The aforementioned investment policy and investment strategies are hereby ratified with no changes.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 20TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

ATTEST:

FLORENCE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

President – Board of Trustees

Secretary – Board of Trustees

Investment Authority

The Superintendent or other person designated by Board resolution shall serve as the investment officer of the District and shall invest District funds as directed by the Board and in accordance with the District's written investment policy and generally accepted accounting procedures. All investment transactions except investment pool funds and mutual funds shall be settled on a delivery versus payment basis.

**Approved
Investment
Instruments**

From those investments authorized by law and described further in CDA(LEGAL) under Authorized Investments, the Board shall permit investment of District funds, including bond proceeds and pledged revenue to the extent allowed by law, in only the following investment types, consistent with the strategies and maturities defined in this policy:

1. Obligations of, or guaranteed by, governmental entities as permitted by Government Code 2256.009.
2. Certificates of deposit and share certificates as permitted by Government Code 2256.010.
3. Fully collateralized repurchase agreements permitted by Government Code 2256.011.
4. A securities lending program as permitted by Government Code 2256.0115.
5. Banker's acceptances as permitted by Government Code 2256.012.
6. Commercial paper as permitted by Government Code 2256.013.
7. No-load mutual funds, except for bond proceeds, and no-load money market mutual funds, as permitted by Government Code 2256.014.
8. A guaranteed investment contract as an investment vehicle for bond proceeds, provided it meets the criteria and eligibility requirements established by Government Code 2256.015.
9. Public funds investment pools as permitted by Government Code 2256.016.

Safety

The primary goal of the investment program is to ensure safety of principal, to maintain liquidity, and to maximize financial returns within current market conditions in accordance with this policy. Investments shall be made in a manner that ensures the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio, and offsets during a 12-month period any market price losses resulting from interest-rate fluctuations by income received from the balance of the portfolio. No indi-

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vidual investment transaction shall be undertaken that jeopardizes the total capital position of the overall portfolio.

**Investment
Management**

In accordance with Government Code 2256.005(b)(3), the quality and capability of investment management for District funds shall be in accordance with the standard of care, investment training, and other requirements set forth in Government Code Chapter 2256.

**Liquidity and
Maturity**

Any internally created pool fund group of the District shall have a maximum dollar weighted maturity of 365 days. The maximum allowable stated maturity of any other individual investment owned by the District shall not exceed three years from the time of purchase. The Board may specifically authorize a longer maturity for a given investment, within legal limits.

The District's investment portfolio shall have sufficient liquidity to meet anticipated cash flow requirements.

Diversity

The investment portfolio shall be diversified in terms of investment instruments, maturity scheduling, and financial institutions to reduce risk of loss resulting from overconcentration of assets in a specific class of investments, specific maturity, or specific issuer.

**Monitoring Market
Prices**

The investment officer shall monitor the investment portfolio and shall keep the Board informed of significant changes in the market value of the District's investment portfolio. Information sources may include financial/investment publications and electronic media, available software for tracking investments, depository banks, commercial or investment banks, financial advisers, and representatives/advisers of investment pools or money market funds. Monitoring shall be done at least quarterly, as required by law, and more often as economic conditions warrant by using appropriate reports, indices, or benchmarks for the type of investment.

**Monitoring Rating
Changes**

In accordance with Government Code 2256.005(b), the investment officer shall develop a procedure to monitor changes in investment ratings and to liquidate investments that do not maintain satisfactory ratings.

Funds / Strategies

Investments of the following fund categories shall be consistent with this policy and in accordance with the applicable strategy defined below. All strategies described below for the investment of a particular fund should be based on an understanding of the suitability of an investment to the financial requirements of the District and consider preservation and safety of principal, liquidity, marketability of an investment if the need arises to liquidate before maturity, diversification of the investment portfolio, and yield.

Operating Funds

Investment strategies for operating funds (including any commingled pools containing operating funds) shall have as their primary

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objectives preservation and safety of principal, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements.

Custodial Funds

Investment strategies for custodial funds shall have as their primary objectives preservation and safety of principal, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements.

Debt Service Funds

Investment strategies for debt service funds shall have as their primary objective sufficient investment liquidity to timely meet debt service payment obligations in accordance with provisions in the bond documents.

**Capital Project
Funds**

Investment strategies for capital project funds shall have as their primary objective sufficient investment liquidity to timely meet capital project obligations.

**Safekeeping and
Custody**

The District shall retain clearly marked receipts providing proof of the District's ownership. The District may delegate, however, to an investment pool the authority to hold legal title as custodian of investments purchased with District funds by the investment pool.

**Sellers of
Investments**

Prior to handling investments on behalf of the District, a broker/dealer or a qualified representative of a business organization must submit required written documents in accordance with law. [See Sellers of Investments, CDA(LEGAL)]

Representatives of brokers/dealers and representatives with distributors of investment pools shall be registered with the Texas State Securities Board and must have membership in the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) and be in good standing with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). Distributors of investment pools shall also be a registrant in good standing with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB).

**Soliciting Bids for
CDs**

In order to get the best return on its investments, the District may solicit bids for certificates of deposit in writing, by telephone, or electronically, or by a combination of these methods.

Interest Rate Risk

To reduce exposure to changes in interest rates that could adversely affect the value of investments, the District shall use final and weighted-average-maturity limits and diversification.

The District shall monitor interest rate risk using weighted average maturity and specific identification.

Internal Controls

A system of internal controls shall be established and documented in writing and must include specific procedures designating who has authority to withdraw funds. Also, they shall be designed to protect against losses of public funds arising from fraud, employee

error, misrepresentation by third parties, unanticipated changes in financial markets, or imprudent actions by employees and officers of the District. Controls deemed most important shall include:

1. Separation of transaction authority from accounting and recordkeeping and electronic transfer of funds.
2. Avoidance of collusion.
3. Custodial safekeeping.
4. Clear delegation of authority.
5. Written confirmation of telephone transactions.
6. Documentation of dealer questionnaires, quotations and bids, evaluations, transactions, and rationale.
7. Avoidance of bearer-form securities.

These controls shall be reviewed by the District's independent auditing firm.

Annual Review

The Board shall review this investment policy and investment strategies not less than annually and shall document its review in writing, which shall include whether any changes were made to either the investment policy or investment strategies.

Annual Audit

In conjunction with the annual financial audit, the District shall perform a compliance audit of management controls on investments and adherence to the District's established investment policies.

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All investments made by a district shall comply with the Public Funds Investment Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 2256, Subchapter A) and all federal, state, and local statutes, rules, or regulations. *Gov't Code 2256.026*

Definitions

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| Bond Proceeds | “Bond proceeds” means the proceeds from the sale of bonds, notes, and other obligations issued by a district, and reserves and funds maintained by a district for debt service purposes. |
| Investment Pool | “Investment pool” means an entity created under the Texas Government Code to invest public funds jointly on behalf of the entities that participate in the pool and whose investment objectives in order of priority are preservation and safety of principal, liquidity, and yield. |
| Pooled Fund Group | “Pooled fund group” means an internally created fund of a district in which one or more institutional accounts of a district are invested. |
| Separately Invested Asset | “Separately invested asset” means an account or fund of a district that is not invested in a pooled fund group. <i>Gov't Code 2256.002(1), (6), (9), (12)</i> |
| Pledged Revenue | “Pledged revenue” means money pledged to the payment of or as security for: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Bonds or other indebtedness issued by a district;2. Obligations under a lease, installment sale, or other agreement of a district; or3. Certificates of participation in a debt or obligation described by item 1 or 2. <i>Gov't Code 2256.0208(a)</i> |
| Joint Account | “Joint account” means an account maintained by a custodian bank and established on behalf of two or more parties to engage in aggregate repurchase agreement transactions. |
| Repurchase Agreement | “Repurchase agreement” means a simultaneous agreement to buy, hold for a specified time, and sell back at a future date obligations, described by Government Code 2256.009(a)(1) (obligations of governmental entities) or 2256.013 (commercial paper) or if applicable, 2256.0204 (corporate bonds), at a market value at the time the funds are disbursed of not less than the principal amount of the funds disbursed. The term includes a direct security repurchase agreement and a reverse security repurchase agreement. <i>Gov't Code 2256.011(b)</i> |

Hedging

“Hedging” means acting to protect against economic loss due to price fluctuation of a commodity or related investment by entering into an offsetting position or using a financial agreement or producer price agreement in a correlated security, index, or other commodity.

Eligible Entity

“Eligible entity” means a political subdivision that has:

1. A principal amount of at least \$250 million in outstanding long-term indebtedness, long-term indebtedness proposed to be issued, or a combination of outstanding long-term indebtedness and long-term indebtedness proposed to be issued; and
2. Outstanding long-term indebtedness that is rated in one of the four highest rating categories for long-term debt instruments by a nationally recognized rating agency for municipal securities, without regard to the effect of any credit agreement or other form of credit enhancement entered into in connection with the obligation.

Eligible Project

“Eligible project” has the meaning assigned by Government Code 1371.001 (issuance of obligations for certain public improvements).

Gov’t Code 2256.0207(a)

Corporate Bond

“Corporate bond” means a senior secured debt obligation issued by a domestic business entity and rated not lower than “AA-” or the equivalent by a nationally recognized investment rating firm. The term does not include a debt obligation that, on conversion, would result in the holder becoming a stockholder or shareholder in the entity, or any affiliate or subsidiary of the entity, that issued the debt obligation, or is an unsecured debt obligation. *Gov’t Code 2256.0204(a)*

Written Policies

The board shall adopt by rule, order, ordinance, or resolution, as appropriate, a written investment policy regarding the investment of its funds and funds under its control. The investment policies must primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity and must address investment diversification, yield, and maturity and the quality and capability of investment management. The policies must include:

1. A list of the types of authorized investments in which the district’s funds may be invested;
2. The maximum allowable stated maturity of any individual investment owned by the district;

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3. For pooled fund groups, the maximum dollar-weighted average maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date of the portfolio;
4. Methods to monitor the market price of investments acquired with public funds;
5. A requirement for settlement of all transactions, except investment pool funds and mutual funds, on a delivery versus payment basis; and
6. Procedures to monitor rating changes in investments acquired with public funds and the liquidation of such investments consistent with the provisions of Government Code 2256.021 [see Loss of Required Rating, below].

Gov't Code 2256.005(a), (b)

Annual Review

The board shall review its investment policy and investment strategies not less than annually. The board shall adopt a written instrument by rule, order, ordinance, or resolution stating that it has reviewed the investment policy and investment strategies and that the written instrument so adopted shall record any changes made to either the investment policy or investment strategies. *Gov't Code 2256.005(e)*

Annual Audit

A district shall perform a compliance audit of management controls on investments and adherence to the district's established investment policies. The compliance audit shall be performed in conjunction with the annual financial audit. *Gov't Code 2256.005(m)*

Investment
Strategies

As an integral part of the investment policy, the board shall adopt a separate written investment strategy for each of the funds or group of funds under the board's control. Each investment strategy must describe the investment objectives for the particular fund using the following priorities in order of importance:

1. Understanding of the suitability of the investment to the financial requirements of the district;
2. Preservation and safety of principal;
3. Liquidity;
4. Marketability of the investment if the need arises to liquidate the investment before maturity;
5. Diversification of the investment portfolio; and
6. Yield.

Gov't Code 2256.005(d)

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Investment Officer

A district shall designate by rule, order, ordinance, or resolution, as appropriate, one or more officers or employees as investment officer(s) to be responsible for the investment of its funds consistent with the investment policy adopted by the board. If the board has contracted with another investing entity to invest its funds, the investment officer of the other investing entity is considered to be the investment officer of the contracting board's district. In the administration of the duties of an investment officer, the person designated as investment officer shall exercise the judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a prudent person would exercise in the management of the person's own affairs, but the board retains the ultimate responsibility as fiduciaries of the assets of the district. Unless authorized by law, a person may not deposit, withdraw, transfer, or manage in any other manner the funds of the district. Authority granted to a person to invest the district's funds is effective until rescinded by the district or until termination of the person's employment by a district, or for an investment management firm, until the expiration of the contract with the district. *Gov't Code 2256.005(f)*

A district or investment officer may use the district's employees or the services of a contractor of the district to aid the investment officer in the execution of the officer's duties under Government Code Chapter 2256. *Gov't Code 2256.003(c)*

Investment Training

Investment training must include education in investment controls, security risks, strategy risks, market risks, diversification of investment portfolio, and compliance with the Public Funds Investment Act. *Gov't Code 2256.008(c)*

Initial

Within 12 months after taking office or assuming duties, the treasurer, the chief financial officer if the treasurer is not the chief financial officer, and the investment officer of a district shall attend at least one training session from an independent source approved by the board or a designated investment committee advising the investment officer. This initial training must contain at least 10 hours of instruction relating to their respective responsibilities under the Public Funds Investment Act. *Gov't Code 2256.008(a)*

Ongoing

The treasurer, or the chief financial officer if the treasurer is not the chief financial officer, and the investment officer of a district shall attend an investment training session not less than once in a two-year period that begins on the first day of the district's fiscal year and consists of the two consecutive fiscal years after that date, and receive not less than eight hours of instruction relating to investment responsibilities under the Public Funds Investment Act from an independent source approved by the board or by a designated

investment committee advising the investment officer. *Gov't Code 2256.008(a-1)*

Exception

The ongoing training requirement does not apply to the treasurer, chief financial officer, or investment officer of a district if:

1. The district does not invest district funds or only deposits those funds in interest-bearing deposit accounts or certificates of deposit as authorized by Government Code 2256.010; and
2. The treasurer, chief financial officer, or investment officer annually submits to the agency a sworn affidavit identifying the applicable criteria under item 1 that apply to the district.

Gov't Code 2256.008(g)

Standard of Care

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of the person's own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived. Investment of funds shall be governed by the following objectives, in order of priority:

1. Preservation and safety of principal;
2. Liquidity; and
3. Yield.

In determining whether an investment officer has exercised prudence with respect to an investment decision, the following shall be taken into consideration:

1. The investment of all funds, or funds under the district's control, over which the officer had responsibility rather than the prudence of a single investment; and
2. Whether the investment decision was consistent with the district's written investment policy.

Gov't Code 2256.006

Personal Interest

A district investment officer who has a personal business relationship with a business organization offering to engage in an investment transaction with the district shall file a statement disclosing that personal business interest. An investment officer who is related within the second degree by affinity or consanguinity, as determined by Government Code Chapter 573 (nepotism prohibition), to an individual seeking to sell an investment to the investment officer's district shall file a statement disclosing that relationship. A required statement must be filed with the board and with the Texas

Ethics Commission. For purposes of this policy, an investment officer has a personal business relationship with a business organization if:

1. The investment officer owns 10 percent or more of the voting stock or shares of the business organization or owns \$5,000 or more of the fair market value of the business organization;
2. Funds received by the investment officer from the business organization exceed 10 percent of the investment officer's gross income for the previous year; or
3. The investment officer has acquired from the business organization during the previous year investments with a book value of \$2,500 or more for the personal account of the investment officer.

Gov't Code 2256.005(i)

Quarterly Reports

Not less than quarterly, the investment officer shall prepare and submit to the board a written report of investment transactions for all funds covered by the Public Funds Investment Act for the preceding reporting period. This report shall be presented not less than quarterly to the board and the superintendent within a reasonable time after the end of the period. The report must:

1. Describe in detail the investment position of the district on the date of the report;
2. Be prepared jointly and signed by all district investment officers;
3. Contain a summary statement of each pooled fund group that states the:
 - a. Beginning market value for the reporting period;
 - b. Ending market value for the period; and
 - c. Fully accrued interest for the reporting period;
4. State the book value and market value of each separately invested asset at the end of the reporting period by the type of asset and fund type invested;
5. State the maturity date of each separately invested asset that has a maturity date;
6. State the account or fund or pooled group fund in the district for which each individual investment was acquired; and

7. State the compliance of the investment portfolio of the district as it relates to the investment strategy expressed in the district's investment policy and relevant provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act.

If a district invests in other than money market mutual funds, investment pools or accounts offered by its depository bank in the form of certificates of deposit, or money market accounts or similar accounts, the reports prepared by the investment officers shall be formally reviewed at least annually by an independent auditor, and the result of the review shall be reported to the board by that auditor.

Gov't Code 2256.023

Selection of Broker

The board or the designated investment committee shall, at least annually, review, revise, and adopt a list of qualified brokers that are authorized to engage in investment transactions with a district.

Gov't Code 2256.025

Bond Proceeds

The investment officer of a district may invest bond proceeds or pledged revenue only to the extent permitted by the Public Funds Investment Act, in accordance with:

1. Statutory provisions governing the debt issuance or the agreement, as applicable; and
2. The district's investment policy regarding the debt issuance or the agreement, as applicable.

Gov't Code 2256.0208(b)

Authorized Investments

A board may purchase, sell, and invest its funds and funds under its control in investments described below, in compliance with its adopted investment policies and according to the standard of care set out in this policy. *Gov't Code 2256.003(a)*

The board may specify in its investment policy that any authorized investment is not suitable. *Gov't Code 2256.005(j)*

Investment Management Firm

In the exercise of these powers, the board may contract with an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-1 et seq.) or with the State Securities Board to provide for the investment and management of its public funds or other funds under its control. A contract made under this authority may not be for a term longer than two years. A renewal or extension of the contract must be made by the board by order, ordinance, or resolution.

A district that contracts with an investment management firm may authorize the firm to invest the district's public funds or other funds

under the district's control in repurchase agreements as provided by Government Code 2256.011 using a joint account.

An investment management firm responsible for managing a repurchase agreement transaction using a joint account on behalf of a district must ensure that:

1. Accounting and control procedures are implemented to document the district's aggregate daily investment and pro rata share in the joint account;
2. Each party participating in the joint account retains the sole rights of ownership to the party's pro rata share of assets invested in the joint account, including investment earnings on those assets; and
3. Policies and procedures are implemented to prevent a party participating in the joint account from using any part of a balance of the joint account that is credited to another party.

Gov't Code 2256.003(b), .011(f), (g)

Obligations of
Governmental
Entities

The following are authorized investments:

1. Obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, including the Federal Home Loan Banks;
2. Direct obligations of this state or its agencies and instrumentalities;
3. Collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States;
4. Other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by, or backed by the full faith and credit of, this state, the United States, or their respective agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or by the explicit full faith and credit of the United States;
5. Obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than A or its equivalent;
6. Bonds issued, assumed, or guaranteed by the state of Israel;

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7. Interest-bearing banking deposits that are guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or its successor, or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or its successor; and
8. Interest-bearing banking deposits other than those described at item 7 above if:
 - a. The funds are invested through a broker with a main office or a branch office in this state that the district selects from a list the board or designated investment committee of the district adopts as required at Selection of Broker above or a depository institution with a main office or a branch office in this state and that the district selects;
 - b. The broker or depository institution selected as described above arranges for the deposit of the funds in the banking deposits in one or more federally insured depository institutions, regardless of where located, for the district's account;
 - c. The full amount of the principal and accrued interest of the banking deposits is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States; and
 - d. The district appoints as the district's custodian of the banking deposits issued for the district's account the depository institution selected as described above, an entity described by Government Code 2257.041(d) (custodian with which to deposit securities), or a clearing broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and operating under Rule 15c3-3 (17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c3-3).

Gov't Code 2256.009(a)

*Unauthorized
Obligations*

The following investments are not authorized:

1. Obligations whose payment represents the coupon payments on the outstanding principal balance of the underlying mortgage-backed security collateral and pays no principal;
2. Obligations whose payment represents the principal stream of cash flow from the underlying mortgage-backed security collateral and bears no interest;
3. Collateralized mortgage obligations that have a stated final maturity date of greater than 10 years; and

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4. Collateralized mortgage obligations the interest rate of which is determined by an index that adjusts opposite to the changes in a market index.

Gov't Code 2256.009(b)

Certificates of
Deposit and Share
Certificates

A certificate of deposit or share certificate is an authorized investment if the certificate is issued by a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in Texas and is:

1. Guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or its successor or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or its successor;
2. Secured by obligations described at Obligations of Governmental Entities, above, including mortgage backed securities directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality that have a market value of not less than the principal amount of the certificates, but excluding those mortgage backed securities described at Unauthorized Obligations, above; or
3. Secured in accordance with Government Code Chapter 2257 (Public Funds Collateral Act) or in any other manner and amount provided by law for the deposits of the district.

Gov't Code 2256.010(a)

In addition to the authority to invest funds in certificates of deposit under the previous section, an investment in certificates of deposit made in accordance with the following conditions is an authorized investment:

1. The funds are invested by the district through a broker that has its main office or a branch office in this state and is selected from a list adopted by the district as required at Selection of Broker, above or a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in this state and that is selected by the district;
2. The broker or depository institution selected by the district arranges for the deposit of the funds in certificates of deposit in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the account of the district;
3. The full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each of the certificates of deposit is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States; and
4. The district appoints the depository institution selected by the district, an entity described by Government Code 2257.041(d) (custodian with which to deposit securities), or a clearing broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Com-

mission and operating pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-3 (17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c3-3) as custodian for the district with respect to the certificates of deposit issued for the account of the district.

Gov't Code 2256.010(b)

The district's investment policies may provide that bids for certificates of deposit be solicited orally, in writing, electronically, or in any combination of those methods. *Gov't Code 2256.005(c)*

Repurchase
Agreements

A fully collateralized repurchase agreement is an authorized investment if it:

1. Has a defined termination date;
2. Is secured by a combination of cash and obligations described by Government Code 2256.009(a)(1) (obligations of governmental entities) or 2256.013 (commercial paper) or if applicable, 2256.0204 (corporate bonds);
3. Requires the securities being purchased by the district or cash held by the district to be pledged to the district either directly or through a joint account approved by the district, held in the district's name either directly or through a joint account approved by the district, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the district or a third party selected and approved by the district; and
4. Is placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by the Federal Reserve or a financial institution doing business in Texas.

The term of any reverse security repurchase agreement may not exceed 90 days after the date the reverse security repurchase agreement is delivered. Money received by a district under the terms of a reverse security repurchase agreement shall be used to acquire additional authorized investments, but the term of the authorized investments acquired must mature not later than the expiration date stated in the reverse security repurchase agreement.

Government Code 1371.059(c) (validity and incontestability of obligations for certain public improvements) applies to the execution of a repurchase agreement by a district.

Gov't Code 2256.011(a), (c), (d), (e)

Securities Lending
Program

A securities lending program is an authorized investment if:

1. The value of securities loaned is not less than 100 percent collateralized, including accrued income;

2. A loan allows for termination at any time;
3. A loan is secured by:
 - a. Pledged securities described at Obligations of Governmental Entities, above;
 - b. Pledged irrevocable letters of credit issued by a bank that is organized and existing under the laws of the United States or any other state, and continuously rated by at least one nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than A or its equivalent; or
 - c. Cash invested in accordance with Government Code 2256.009 (obligations of governmental entities), 2256.013 (commercial paper), 2256.014 (mutual funds), or 2256.016 (investment pools);
4. The terms of a loan require that the securities being held as collateral be pledged to the district, held in the district's name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the district or with a third party selected by or approved by the district; and
5. A loan is placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by 5 C.F.R. Section 6801.102(f), as that regulation existed on September 1, 2003, or a financial institution doing business in this state.

An agreement to lend securities under a securities lending program must have a term of one year or less.

Gov't Code 2256.0115

Banker's
Acceptances

A banker's acceptance is an authorized investment if it:

1. Has a stated maturity of 270 days or fewer from the date of issuance;
2. Will be, in accordance with its terms, liquidated in full at maturity;
3. Is eligible for collateral for borrowing from a Federal Reserve Bank; and
4. Is accepted by a bank organized and existing under the laws of the United States or any state, if the short-term obligations of the bank, or of a bank holding company of which the bank is the largest subsidiary, are rated not less than A-1 or P-1 or

an equivalent rating by at least on nationally recognized credit rating agency.

Gov't Code 2256.012

Commercial Paper

Commercial paper is an authorized investment if it has a stated maturity of 365 days or fewer from the date of issuance; and is rated not less than A-1 or P-1 or an equivalent rating by at least:

1. Two nationally recognized credit rating agencies; or
2. One nationally recognized credit rating agency and is fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank organized and existing under the laws of the United States law or any state.

Gov't Code 2256.013

Mutual Funds

A no-load money market mutual fund is an authorized investment if the mutual fund:

1. Is registered with and regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission;
2. Provides the district with a prospectus and other information required by the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a et seq.) or the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq.); and
3. Complies with federal Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a-7 (17 C.F.R. Section 270.2a-7), promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80a-1 et seq.).

Gov't Code 2256.014(a)

In addition to the no-load money market mutual fund authorized above, a no-load mutual fund is an authorized investment if it:

1. Is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission;
2. Has an average weighted maturity of less than two years; and
3. Either has a duration of:
 - a. One year or more and is invested exclusively in obligations approved by the Public Funds Investment Act, or
 - b. Less than one year and the investment portfolio is limited to investment grade securities, excluding asset-backed securities.

Gov't Code 2256.014(b)

Limitations

A district is not authorized to:

1. Invest in the aggregate more than 15 percent of its monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt service, in mutual funds described in Government Code 2256.014(b);
2. Invest any portion of bond proceeds, reserves and funds held for debt service, in mutual funds described in Government Code 2256.014(b); or
3. Invest its funds or funds under its control, including bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt service, in any one mutual fund described in Government Code 2256.014(a) or (b) in an amount that exceeds 10 percent of the total assets of the mutual fund.

Gov't Code 2256.014(c)

Guaranteed
Investment
Contracts

A guaranteed investment contract is an authorized investment for bond proceeds if the guaranteed investment contract:

1. Has a defined termination date;
2. Is secured by obligations described at Obligations of Governmental Entities, above, excluding those obligations described at Unauthorized Obligations, in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under the contract; and
3. Is pledged to the district and deposited with the district or with a third party selected and approved by the district.

Bond proceeds, other than bond proceeds representing reserves and funds maintained for debt service purposes, may not be invested in a guaranteed investment contract with a term longer than five years from the date of issuance of the bonds.

To be eligible as an authorized investment:

1. The board must specifically authorize guaranteed investment contracts as eligible investments in the order, ordinance, or resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds;
2. The district must receive bids from at least three separate providers with no material financial interest in the bonds from which proceeds were received;
3. The district must purchase the highest yielding guaranteed investment contract for which a qualifying bid is received;

4. The price of the guaranteed investment contract must take into account the reasonably expected drawdown schedule for the bond proceeds to be invested; and
5. The provider must certify the administrative costs reasonably expected to be paid to third parties in connection with the guaranteed investment contract.

Government Code 1371.059(c) (validity and incontestability of obligations for certain public improvements) applies to the execution of a guaranteed investment contract by a district.

Gov't Code 2256.015

Investment Pools

A district may invest its funds or funds under its control through an eligible investment pool if the board by rule, order, ordinance, or resolution, as appropriate, authorizes the investment in the particular pool. *Gov't Code 2256.016, .019*

To be eligible to receive funds from and invest funds on behalf of a district, an investment pool must furnish to the investment officer or other authorized representative of the district an offering circular or other similar disclosure instrument that contains the information specified in Government Code 2256.016(b). To maintain eligibility, an investment pool must furnish to the investment officer or other authorized representative investment transaction confirmations and a monthly report that contains the information specified in Government Code 2256.016(c). A district by contract may delegate to an investment pool the authority to hold legal title as custodian of investments purchased with its local funds. *Gov't Code 2256.016(b)-(d)*

Corporate Bonds

A district that qualifies as an issuer as defined by Government Code 1371.001 [see CCF], may purchase, sell, and invest its funds and funds under its control in corporate bonds (as defined above) that, at the time of purchase, are rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm "AA-" or the equivalent and have a stated final maturity that is not later than the third anniversary of the date the corporate bonds were purchased.

A district is not authorized to:

1. Invest in the aggregate more than 15 percent of its monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds, reserves, and other funds held for the payment of debt service, in corporate bonds; or
2. Invest more than 25 percent of the funds invested in corporate bonds in any one domestic business entity, including subsidiaries and affiliates of the entity.

A district subject to these provisions may purchase, sell, and invest its funds and funds under its control in corporate bonds if the board:

1. Amends its investment policy to authorize corporate bonds as an eligible investment;
2. Adopts procedures to provide for monitoring rating changes in corporate bonds acquired with public funds and liquidating the investment in corporate bonds; and
3. Identifies the funds eligible to be invested in corporate bonds.

The district investment officer, acting on behalf of the district, shall sell corporate bonds in which the district has invested its funds not later than the seventh day after the date a nationally recognized investment rating firm:

1. Issues a release that places the corporate bonds or the domestic business entity that issued the corporate bonds on negative credit watch or the equivalent, if the corporate bonds are rated "AA-" or the equivalent at the time the release is issued; or
2. Changes the rating on the corporate bonds to a rating lower than "AA-" or the equivalent.

Gov't Code 2256.0204

Hedging
Transactions

The board of an eligible entity (as defined above) shall establish the entity's policy regarding hedging transactions. An eligible entity may enter into hedging transactions, including hedging contracts, and related security, credit, and insurance agreements in connection with commodities used by an eligible entity in the entity's general operations, with the acquisition or construction of a capital project, or with an eligible project. A hedging transaction must comply with the regulations of the federal Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the federal Securities and Exchange Commission.

Government Code 1371.059(c) (validity and incontestability of obligations for certain public improvements) applies to the execution by an eligible entity of a hedging contract and any related security, credit, or insurance agreement.

An eligible entity may:

1. Pledge as security for and to the payment of a hedging contract or a security, credit, or insurance agreement any general or special revenues or funds the entity is authorized by law to pledge to the payment of any other obligation.

2. Credit any amount the entity receives under a hedging contract against expenses associated with a commodity purchase.

An eligible entity's cost of or payment under a hedging contract or agreement may be considered an operation and maintenance expense, an acquisition expense, or construction expense of the eligible entity; or a project cost of an eligible project.

Gov't Code 2256.0206

Prohibited
Investments

Except as provided by Government Code 2270 (prohibited investments), a district is not required to liquidate investments that were authorized investments at the time of purchase. *Gov't Code 2256.017*

Note: As an "investing entity" under Government Code 2270.0001(7)(A), a district must comply with Chapter 2270, including reporting requirements, regarding prohibited investments in scrutinized companies listed by the comptroller in accordance with Government Code 2270.0201.

Loss of Required
Rating

An investment that requires a minimum rating does not qualify as an authorized investment during the period the investment does not have the minimum rating. A district shall take all prudent measures that are consistent with its investment policy to liquidate an investment that does not have the minimum rating. *Gov't Code 2256.021*

**Sellers of
Investments**

A written copy of the investment policy shall be presented to any business organization (as defined below) offering to engage in an investment transaction with a district. The qualified representative of the business organization offering to engage in an investment transaction with a district shall execute a written instrument in a form acceptable to the district and the business organization substantially to the effect that the business organization has:

1. Received and reviewed the district investment policy; and
2. Acknowledged that the business organization has implemented reasonable procedures and controls in an effort to preclude investment transactions conducted between the district and the organization that are not authorized by the district's investment policy, except to the extent that this authorization:
 - a. Is dependent on an analysis of the makeup of the district's entire portfolio;

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- b. Requires an interpretation of subjective investment standards; or
- c. Relates to investment transactions of the entity that are not made through accounts or other contractual arrangements over which the business organization has accepted discretionary investment authority.

The investment officer of a district may not acquire or otherwise obtain any authorized investment described in the district's investment policy from a business organization that has not delivered to the district the instrument required above.

Gov't Code 2256.005(k)-(l)

Nothing in this section relieves the district of the responsibility for monitoring investments made by the district to determine that they are in compliance with the investment policy.

Business
Organization

For purposes of the provisions at Sellers of Investments above, "business organization" means an investment pool or investment management firm under contract with a district to invest or manage the district's investment portfolio that has accepted authority granted by the district under the contract to exercise investment discretion in regard to the district's funds.

Gov't Code 2256.005(k)

Donations

A gift, devise, or bequest made to a district to provide college scholarships for district graduates may be invested by the board as provided in Property Code 117.004 (Uniform Prudent Investor Act), unless otherwise specifically provided by the terms of the gift, devise, or bequest. *Education Code 45.107*

Investments donated to a district for a particular purpose or under terms of use specified by the donor are not subject to the requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act. *Gov't Code 2256.004(b)*

**Electronic Funds
Transfer**

A district may use electronic means to transfer or invest all funds collected or controlled by the district. *Gov't Code 2256.051*



***INVESTMENT POLICY
ANNUAL REVIEW***

October 20, 2025

Objectives – Annual Review

- ▣ **A review of investment policy and investment strategies**
- ▣ **A report to the Board on the investment program and investment activity**
- ▣ **An adopted resolution stating that the review has occurred**

Investment Practice

- ▣ **The Board approved the investment advisory services of Meeder Public Funds at the September 2022 regular board meeting. Bond proceeds are not longer invested with them. Balances are in Texas Range and Verabank.**
- ▣ **A Broker Dealer list is approved, but will not be used at this time.**
- ▣ **The District will invest funds locally with VeraBank and also in local government investment pools.**
- ▣ **Policy is provided by TASB Policy Services**

Standard of Care

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of the person's own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived. Investment of funds shall be governed by the following objectives, in order of priority (CDA Legal), page 6:

- Preservation and safety of principal;
- Liquidity; and
- Yield.

Investment Strategies by Fund

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- ▣ **OPERATING FUNDS** - Investment strategies for operating funds (including any commingled pools containing operating funds) shall have as their primary objectives preservation and safety of principal, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements.
- ▣ **CUSTODIAL FUNDS** - Investment strategies for custodial funds shall have as their primary objectives preservation and safety of principal, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements.

Investment Strategies by Fund

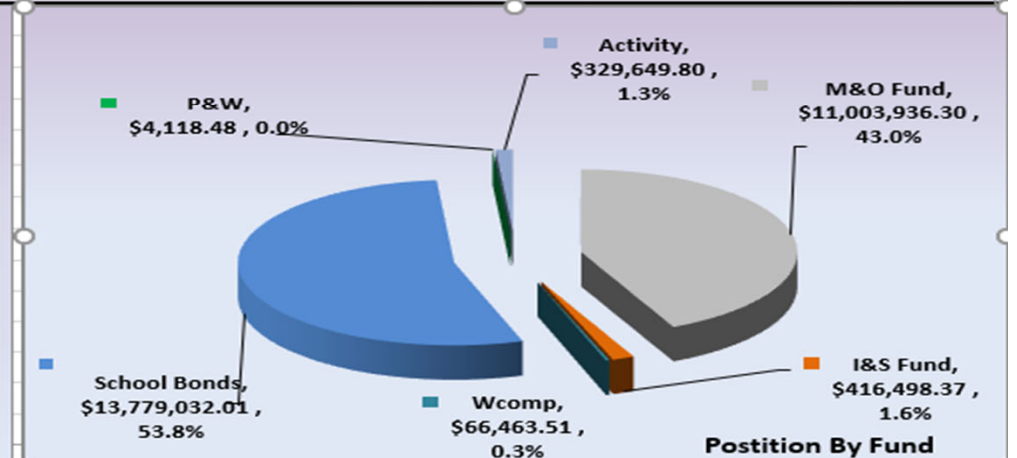
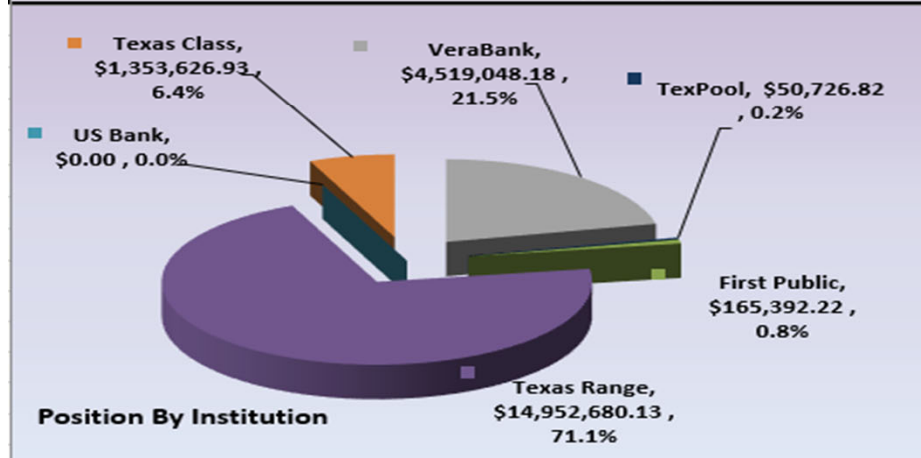
- ▣ **DEBT SERVICE FUNDS** - Investment strategies for debt service funds shall have as their primary objective sufficient investment liquidity to timely meet debt service payment obligations in accordance with provisions in the bond documents.
- ▣ **CAPITAL PROJECTS** - Investment strategies for capital project funds shall have as their primary objective sufficient investment liquidity to timely meet capital project obligations.

Investment Program

- ▣ **A report of investment activity for the prior year is provided**
- ▣ **No changes are recommended to the stated policies or strategies**

| Institution | Fund | Interest Rate | Account | Beginning Balance | Ending Balance | YTD Interest | MONTHLY Interest |
|------------------------------------|----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|
| | | | | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2025 | | |
| TexPool-M & O | M&O | 4.31% | TexPool | \$ 482,086.69 | \$ 16,452.13 | \$ 72,546 | \$ 645 |
| TexPool-I & S | I&S | 4.31% | Texpool | \$ 85,199.95 | \$ 34,274.69 | \$ 55,214 | \$ 2,271 |
| Texas Class - M & O | M&O | 4.31% | Class | \$ - | \$ 1,353,626.93 | \$ 2,627 | \$ 2,627 |
| Texas Class - I & S | I&S | 4.31% | Class | \$ - | \$ - | | \$ - |
| US Bank Custodial Account | F699 | | 2022 Bond | \$ 39,095,154.90 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 1,063,982 | \$ - |
| First Public-Interest & Sink | I&S | 4.31% | Gov. Overnight | \$ 7,986.03 | \$ 1,331.05 | \$ 345 | \$ 10 |
| First Public-M & O | M&O | 4.31% | Gov. Overnight | \$ 156,877.05 | \$ 164,061.17 | \$ 7,184 | \$ 599 |
| Texas Range - 2022 Bond | F699 | 4.30% | Daily | \$ 26,563.42 | \$ 43,409.95 | \$ 173,409 | \$ 157 |
| Texas Range - 2022 Bond | F699 | 4.43% | Select | \$ 360,441.04 | \$ 7,274,195.63 | \$ 432,190 | \$ 30,486 |
| Texas Range - 2024 Bond | M&O | 4.30% | Select | \$ - | \$ 4,558,224.19 | \$ 153,966 | \$ 16,964 |
| Texas Range M & O | M&O | 4.30% | Daily | \$ 2,424,606.29 | \$ 3,076,850.36 | \$ 152,244 | \$ 12,557 |
| Texas Range - 2019 Bond | F699 | 4.30% | Daily | \$ 276.36 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 9 | \$ - |
| Total Investments | | | | \$ 42,639,191.73 | \$ 16,522,426.10 | \$ 2,113,716 | \$ 66,315 |
| VeraBank | | | | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2025 | | |
| Workers Comp | WC | 3.50% | Money Market | \$ 65,389.90 | \$ 66,463.51 | \$ 2,509 | \$ 197 |
| Purple & White Trust | P&W | 3.50% | Money Market | \$ 3,964.04 | \$ 4,118.48 | \$ 154 | \$ 12 |
| Total Money Market Accounts | | | | \$ 69,353.94 | \$ 70,581.99 | \$ 2,663 | \$ 209 |
| VeraBank | | | | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2025 | | |
| Maintenance & Operating | M&O | 3.50% | Checking | \$ 2,221,722.25 | \$ 1,542,632.90 | \$ 67,504 | \$ 3,772 |
| Interest Sinking | I&S | 3.50% | Checking | \$ 61,920.49 | \$ 380,892.63 | \$ 6,745 | \$ 555 |
| 2019 BOND | 699 | 3.50% | Checking | \$ 60,198.61 | \$ 13,449.41 | \$ 5,899 | \$ - |
| 2022 BOND | 699 | 3.50% | Checking | \$ 859,996.35 | \$ 1,790,900.77 | \$ 48,657 | \$ 4,181 |
| 2024 BOND | 699 | 3.50% | Checking | \$ - | \$ 98,852.06 | \$ 2,159 | \$ 303 |
| Payroll | PR | 3.50% | Checking | \$ 195,432.54 | \$ 292,088.62 | \$ 11,443 | \$ 898 |
| Activity Account | Activity | 3.50% | Checking | \$ 262,178.96 | \$ 329,649.80 | \$ 11,809 | \$ 1,001 |
| Total Checking Accounts | | | | \$ 3,661,449.20 | \$ 4,448,466.19 | \$ 154,217 | \$ 10,710 |
| Total for District | | | | \$ 46,369,995 | \$ 21,041,474 | \$ 2,270,595 | \$ 77,235 |

| Institution | Account | Beginning Balance | Additions | Subtractions | Ending Balance | Monthly Change |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | 8/1/2025 | | | 8/31/2025 | |
| TexPool-M & O | 4.31% TexPool | \$ 863,740.33 | \$ 32,784 | \$ 880,071.74 | \$ 16,452.13 | \$ (847,288.20) |
| TexPool-I & S | 4.31% Texpool | \$ 2,146,932.20 | \$ 12,342 | \$ 2,125,000.00 | \$ 34,274.69 | \$ (2,112,657.51) |
| Texas Class - M & O | 4.31% Class | \$ - | \$ 1,353,626.93 | \$ - | \$ 1,353,626.93 | \$ 1,353,626.93 |
| Texas Class - I & S | 4.31% Class | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| US Bank Custodial Account | 2022 Bond | \$ 0.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 0.00 | \$ - |
| First Public-Interest & Sink | 4.31% Gov. Overnight | \$ 8,321.25 | \$ 9.80 | \$ 7,000.00 | \$ 1,331.05 | \$ (6,990.20) |
| First Public-M & O | 4.31% Gov. Overnight | \$ 163,462.19 | \$ 598.98 | \$ - | \$ 164,061.17 | \$ 598.98 |
| Texas Range - 2022 Bond | 4.30% Daily | \$ 43,252.58 | \$ 157.37 | \$ - | \$ 43,409.95 | \$ 157.37 |
| Texas Range - 2022 Bond | 4.43% Select | \$ 9,543,710.06 | \$ 30,485.57 | \$ 2,300,000.00 | \$ 7,274,195.63 | \$ (2,269,514.43) |
| Texas Range - 2024 Bond | 4.43% Select | \$ 4,541,260.66 | \$ 16,963.53 | \$ - | \$ 4,558,224.19 | \$ 16,963.53 |
| Texas Range M & O | 4.30% Daily | \$ 3,564,292.88 | \$ 12,557.48 | \$ 500,000.00 | \$ 3,076,850.36 | \$ (487,442.52) |
| Texas Range - 2019 Bond | 4.30% Daily | \$ 0.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 0.00 | \$ - |
| Total Investments | | \$ 20,874,972.15 | | | \$ 16,522,426.10 | \$ (4,352,546.05) |
| VeraBank | | 8/1/2025 | | | 8/31/2025 | |
| Workers Comp | 3.50% Money Market | \$ 66,399.71 | \$ 197.12 | \$ 133.32 | \$ 66,463.51 | \$ 63.80 |
| Purple & White Trust | 3.50% Money Market | \$ 4,106.27 | \$ 12.21 | \$ - | \$ 4,118.48 | \$ 12.21 |
| Total Money Market Accounts | | \$ 70,505.98 | | | \$ 70,581.99 | \$ 76.01 |
| VeraBank | | 8/1/2025 | | | 8/31/2025 | |
| Maintenance & Operating | 3.50% Checking | \$ 1,450,558.95 | \$ 2,673,906.41 | \$ 2,581,832.46 | \$ 1,542,632.90 | \$ 92,073.95 |
| Interest Sinking | 3.50% Checking | \$ 63,496.71 | \$ 2,134,470.92 | \$ 1,817,075.00 | \$ 380,892.63 | \$ 317,395.92 |
| 2019 BOND | 3.50% Checking | \$ 13,449.41 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 13,449.41 | \$ - |
| 2022 BOND | 3.50% Checking | \$ 492,920.17 | \$ 2,344,164.54 | \$ 1,046,183.94 | \$ 1,790,900.77 | \$ 1,297,980.60 |
| 2024 BOND | 3.50% Checking | \$ 102,855.84 | \$ 303.27 | \$ 4,307.05 | \$ 98,852.06 | \$ (4,003.78) |
| Payroll | 3.50% Checking | \$ 196,291.91 | \$ 993,069.92 | \$ 897,273.21 | \$ 292,088.62 | \$ 95,796.71 |
| Activity Account | 3.50% Checking | \$ 343,517.42 | \$ 10,114.64 | \$ 23,982.26 | \$ 329,649.80 | \$ (13,867.62) |
| Total Checking Accounts | | \$ 2,663,090.41 | | | \$ 4,448,466.19 | \$ 1,785,375.78 |
| Total for District | | \$ 23,608,568.54 | | | \$ 21,041,474.28 | \$ (2,567,094.26) |



Resolution

- ▣ **Adopt the resolution stating that the Board has reviewed the investment policy and investment strategies of the District**

Discussion

- ▣ **Questions**
- ▣ **Comments**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
FLORENCE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON §**

WHEREAS, Texas Government Code §2256.008 requires the treasurer, chief financial officer if the treasurer is not the chief financial officer, and the investment officer of a local government to attend an investment training session from an independent source approved by the governing body of the local government within 12 months after taking office or assuming duties and not less than once in a two-year period thereafter;

WHEREAS, the Center for Public Management at the University of North Texas (“UNT”), the Texas Association of School Business Officials (“TASBO”), the Government Treasurer’s Organization of Texas (“GTOT”), the Education Service Center Region XII, the Education Service Center Region XIII, Texas Association of Assessing Officers (TAAO), Texas Term, Linda Patterson, First Public, LLC in alliance with Texas State University and Texas Class provide investment training sessions relating to investment responsibilities under §2256.008;

WHEREAS, the Florence Independent School District wishes to approve the Center for Public Management UNT, TASBO, GTOT, the Education Service Center Regions XII & XIII, TAAO, Texas Term, Linda Patterson, and First Public, LLC in alliance with Texas State University as independent sources of instruction to provide investment training sessions required by §2256.008;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

- I. That the Center for Public Management UNT, TASBO, GTOT, the Education Service Center Regions XII & XIII, TAAO, Hilltop Securities, Logic, Texas Range, Linda Patterson, First Public, LLC in alliance with Texas State University, and Texas Class are hereby approved as independent sources of instruction relating to investment responsibilities for the Superintendent, Business Manager or Chief Financial Officer as required by §2256.008, Texas Government Code, as amended, and further,

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 20TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

ATTEST:

FLORENCE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

President – Board of Trustees

Secretary – Board of Trustees

INSTRUCTIONS FOR TASB BOARD NOMINATIONS

About the TASB Board of Directors

The TASB Board of Directors is charged with carrying out directives established by the Delegates at the Delegate Assembly. The individual Director is expected to attend four Board meetings a year, with one of the meetings being at the same time as the annual TASA/TASB Convention. In addition, the Director will be asked to serve on a standing committee that will meet, as needed, in conjunction with Board meetings. The Director should be a capable, experienced school board member who can assist in providing the Association with outstanding leadership.

How to Nominate a Candidate to the TASB Board

To nominate an individual from your local school board, please complete the following attached forms:

- A. Active member's nomination and candidate's willingness to serve
- B. Candidate biographical sketch
- C. Candidate questionnaire

The completed materials must be received by TASB no later than Wednesday, November 12, 2025. Nominations that do not meet the deadline cannot be accepted.

TASB will e-mail the nominated individual and the superintendent a confirmation that the forms have been received. If an acknowledgment is not received, contact Lysa Hoelscher at **800.580.8272, extension 2976, or lysa.hoelscher@tasb.org**.

Candidates will be scheduled to interview on **Thursday, December 4, 2025**, in Austin at the TASB Headquarters.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact Lysa Hoelscher at **800.580.8272, ext. 2976, or lysa.hoelscher@tasb.org**.

We appreciate your participation in this nomination process.



ACTIVE MEMBER DIRECTOR NOMINATION FORM

This is to serve as the nomination of a member of our local board to fill a position on the TASB Board of Directors.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

NAME: _____

SCHOOL DISTRICT: _____

Our school district's board of trustees understands:

1. *The candidate must have served at least 18 months, in the aggregate, on the local board by December 31 of the TASB election year.*
2. *Expenses incurred for the candidate to attend the Nominations Committee interview will be the responsibility of the candidate's local school district.*
3. *The local board's nomination shall also serve as its candidate endorsement for that TASB Director position.*
4. *A TASB Director's attendance at TASB Board meetings is important.*
5. *Lodging and transportation expenses incurred by TASB Directors attending regular spring, summer and December Board meetings are reimbursed by the Association and transportation expenses and three nights' lodging incurred attending the Convention Board meeting are reimbursed by the Association.*

This nomination was approved by our board of trustees at a duly called meeting on _____.
(Date)

Signature of board president or officer *(If candidate is the board president or officer, must be signed by another officer)*

PRINTED NAME (of officer): _____

TITLE (of officer): _____

WILLINGNESS TO SERVE (to be completed by the candidate)

I, _____, confirm my willingness to serve, if elected, as a member of the TASB Board of Directors for Region 13, Position B.

Signature of candidate

This form is to be used to nominate a member of your Local Board as a candidate to fill a position on the TASB Board of Directors.

Form A, B, & C, must be received by TASB on or before November 12, 2025.

RETURN TO: E-mail: boardcommunications@tasb.org

Interviews will be held at TASB Headquarters in Austin on December 4, 2025.



TASB BOARD CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

DATE: _____

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

BUSINESS PHONE: _____ RESIDENCE PHONE: _____

CELL PHONE: _____ FAX NUMBER (if applicable): _____

We communicate with our Board members primarily via e-mail. Please list your preferred email address.

E-MAIL: _____

SCHOOL DISTRICT: _____

LOCAL TERM EXPIRES: _____ YEARS ON BOARD: _____
(Month/year)

Upon expiration of current term on your local board, will you seek reelection?

YES ___ NO ___

BOARD POSITIONS HELD (including dates): _____

OCCUPATION: _____

CURRENT EMPLOYER: _____ DATES: _____

EDUCATION-HIGH SCHOOL: _____ COLLEGE: _____

OTHER EDUCATION: _____ DEGREES: _____

HOBBIES/SPECIAL INTERESTS: _____

BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC GROUP MEMBERS (offices held including dates): _____

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

Please attach a short bio and include a current picture in jpeg format.

4. Please provide examples of your leadership abilities.

5. If selected, what are some unique characteristics or perspectives you bring to the Board?

6. Describe at least three or four characteristics of a good board member.

7. TASB Directors use technology to communicate and view Board materials. Please explain your comfort level using technology.

8. Describe a critical or serious challenge that your board has faced and tell us about your contributions to the resolution.

9. Excluding public school finance, what do you think are top issues facing public education today? Elaborate on why you think they are critical issues.

10. Describe your involvement at TASB grassroots meetings and/or regional school board association meetings.

11. Additional information: What else would you like for the Committee to know about you?

(Signature of candidate)

(Date)

This form is to be used by a candidate interested in filling a position on the TASB Board of Directors.

Form A, B, & C must be received by TASB on or before November 12, 2025.

RETURN TO: E-mail: boardcommunications@tasb.org

Interviews will be held at TASB Headquarters in Austin on December 4, 2025.

Enrollment w/Race & SpEd Totals TX (District)

Enrolled As Of: 10/06/2025

Florence ISD

| | | | White | | Asian | | Black | | Am Ind | | Pac Is | | Multi | | Hisp | | IsSpEd |
|--------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|------------|--------------|----------|--------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|-----------|-----------------|------------|---------------|
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| Entity 001 | Grade 09 | 105 | 50 | 43 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 31 | 31 | 15 |
| Entity 001 | Grade 10 | 75 | 32 | 27 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 22 | 19 | 14 |
| Entity 001 | Grade 11 | 94 | 34 | 43 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 30 | 12 |
| Entity 001 | Grade 12 | 75 | 31 | 32 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 20 | 18 | 4 |
| Entity 001 | All Grades | 349 | 147 | 145 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 15 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 87 | 98 | 45 |
| Entity 041 | Grade 06 | 80 | 26 | 43 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 17 | 27 | 10 |
| Entity 041 | Grade 07 | 84 | 36 | 40 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 25 | 17 |
| Entity 041 | Grade 08 | 88 | 45 | 36 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 30 | 22 | 12 |
| Entity 041 | All Grades | 252 | 107 | 119 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 66 | 74 | 39 |
| Entity 101 | Grade 01 | 71 | 27 | 39 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 23 | 12 |
| Entity 101 | Grade 02 | 82 | 36 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 23 | 26 | 13 |
| Entity 101 | Grade 03 | 87 | 40 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 19 | 25 | 17 |
| Entity 101 | Grade 04 | 80 | 38 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 19 | 24 | 18 |
| Entity 101 | Grade 05 | 94 | 37 | 47 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 26 | 27 | 17 |
| Entity 101 | Grade K | 75 | 33 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 20 | 19 | 4 |
| Entity 101 | Grade PK | 41 | 18 | 19 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 0 |
| Entity 101 | All Grades | 530 | 229 | 248 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 136 | 158 | 81 |
| Total Counts by Gender: | | 1,131 | 483 | 512 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 14 | 25 | 31 | 1 | 6 | 19 | 24 | 289 | 330 | 165 |
| Total Counts by Race: | | 1,131 | White | | Asian | | Black | | Amer Indian | | Pacific Isl | | Multiracial | | Hispanic | | IsSpEd |
| | | | 995 | | 10 | | 20 | | 56 | | 7 | | 43 | | 619 | | 165 |

AGENDA SUPPLEMENT

Florence ISD Student Information

Meeting Date: Regular Meeting - Report Only

Prepared by Eric Banfield, Business Manager

A Attendance Report

B Enrollment Report

Florence ISD 2025-2026 Enrollment Report

| | EE | PK | K | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th | Total | 6th | 7th | 8th | Total | 9th | 10th | 11th | 12th | Total | Total |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| Enrollment Monthly | F.E.S. | | | | | | | | | F.M.S. | | | | F.H.S. | | | District | | |
| September 3, 2025 | 0 | 41 | 76 | 72 | 82 | 87 | 81 | 91 | 530 | 79 | 82 | 86 | 247 | 101 | 74 | 94 | 75 | 344 | 1121 |
| October 06,2025 | 0 | 41 | 75 | 71 | 82 | 87 | 80 | 94 | 530 | 80 | 84 | 88 | 252 | 105 | 75 | 94 | 75 | 349 | 1131 |
| November 13, 2025 | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| December 20, 2025 | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| January 8, 2026 | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| February 13, 2026 | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| March 13, 2026 | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| April 16, 2026 | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| May 14, 2026 | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 |

Enrollment First Day of School

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| August 24, 2015 | 0 | 57 | 60 | 67 | 67 | 69 | 67 | 78 | 465 | 72 | 70 | 80 | 222 | 82 | 61 | 87 | 70 | 300 | 987 |
| August 22, 2016 | 0 | 30 | 70 | 63 | 70 | 67 | 77 | 70 | 447 | 86 | 79 | 81 | 246 | 79 | 77 | 61 | 77 | 294 | 987 |
| August 21, 2017 | 1 | 35 | 50 | 79 | 66 | 74 | 78 | 74 | 457 | 77 | 89 | 82 | 248 | 86 | 78 | 77 | 67 | 308 | 1013 |
| August 20, 2018 | 1 | 29 | 69 | 56 | 78 | 78 | 81 | 78 | 470 | 76 | 81 | 94 | 251 | 84 | 91 | 81 | 74 | 330 | 1051 |
| August 15, 2019 | 0 | 36 | 73 | 70 | 57 | 87 | 67 | 85 | 475 | 81 | 78 | 85 | 244 | 94 | 79 | 86 | 77 | 336 | 1055 |
| August 31, 2020 | 0 | 30 | 57 | 78 | 78 | 57 | 88 | 66 | 454 | 87 | 90 | 80 | 257 | 92 | 92 | 74 | 85 | 343 | 1054 |
| August 12, 2021 | 1 | 34 | 67 | 72 | 66 | 72 | 61 | 88 | 461 | 67 | 91 | 90 | 248 | 90 | 87 | 84 | 61 | 322 | 1031 |
| August 18, 2022 | 3 | 42 | 80 | 75 | 78 | 79 | 86 | 68 | 511 | 90 | 76 | 93 | 259 | 96 | 95 | 92 | 82 | 365 | 1135 |
| August 16, 2023 | 2 | 35 | 77 | 77 | 75 | 72 | 81 | 85 | 504 | 72 | 91 | 78 | 241 | 97 | 95 | 91 | 84 | 367 | 1112 |
| August 14,2023 | 1 | 41 | 57 | 79 | 81 | 74 | 84 | 78 | 495 | 78 | 72 | 98 | 248 | 74 | 108 | 81 | 82 | 345 | 1088 |
| August 13,2025 | 0 | 40 | 71 | 65 | 80 | 86 | 81 | 90 | 513 | 79 | 80 | 82 | 241 | 98 | 74 | 92 | 72 | 336 | 1090 |

Enrollment Peims Snapshot Date

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|-------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| October 31, 2014 | 1 | 47 | 64 | 65 | 65 | 67 | 74 | 65 | 448 | 81 | 80 | 75 | 236 | 81 | 90 | 72 | 68 | 311 | 995 |
| October 30, 2015 | 0 | 65 | 63 | 69 | 67 | 70 | 73 | 79 | 486 | 72 | 78 | 81 | 231 | 87 | 62 | 91 | 69 | 309 | 1026 |
| October 28, 2016 | 2 | 33 | 75 | 68 | 73 | 70 | 75 | 71 | 467 | 86 | 83 | 85 | 254 | 83 | 83 | 62 | 76 | 304 | 1025 |
| October 27, 2017 | 2 | 40 | 51 | 80 | 72 | 78 | 77 | 73 | 473 | 80 | 92 | 86 | 258 | 94 | 79 | 77 | 67 | 317 | 1048 |
| October 26, 2018 | 3 | 31 | 73 | 58 | 79 | 80 | 87 | 78 | 489 | 78 | 86 | 96 | 260 | 86 | 95 | 83 | 73 | 337 | 1086 |
| October 25, 2019 | 3 | 39 | 81 | 74 | 60 | 86 | 88 | 86 | 517 | 85 | 80 | 90 | 255 | 101 | 79 | 86 | 81 | 347 | 1119 |
| October 30, 2020 | 3 | 33 | 61 | 78 | 75 | 54 | 90 | 67 | 461 | 90 | 93 | 81 | 264 | 93 | 96 | 75 | 86 | 350 | 1075 |
| October 29, 2021 | 3 | 34 | 77 | 74 | 75 | 80 | 65 | 97 | 505 | 73 | 95 | 98 | 266 | 96 | 97 | 88 | 65 | 346 | 1117 |
| October 28, 2022 | 3 | 43 | 82 | 73 | 81 | 79 | 85 | 69 | 515 | 94 | 83 | 98 | 275 | 100 | 101 | 93 | 83 | 377 | 1167 |
| October 27, 2023 | 6 | 39 | 77 | 79 | 83 | 77 | 82 | 90 | 533 | 76 | 96 | 78 | 250 | 96 | 95 | 91 | 88 | 370 | 1153 |
| October 25, 2024 | 1 | 44 | 65 | 82 | 87 | 79 | 84 | 81 | 523 | 79 | 83 | 100 | 262 | 78 | 106 | 84 | 89 | 357 | 1142 |

Enrollment End of School

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| June 4, 2015 | 0 | 55 | 64 | 69 | 69 | 66 | 77 | 62 | 462 | 79 | 77 | 75 | 231 | 74 | 85 | 77 | 72 | 308 | 1001 |
| June 2, 2016 | 0 | 65 | 66 | 70 | 68 | 72 | 73 | 77 | 491 | 74 | 77 | 76 | 227 | 80 | 62 | 78 | 71 | 291 | 1009 |
| May 25, 2017 | 3 | 35 | 76 | 63 | 69 | 74 | 72 | 70 | 462 | 85 | 84 | 84 | 253 | 81 | 80 | 67 | 73 | 301 | 1016 |
| May 31 2018 | 1 | 42 | 53 | 80 | 75 | 74 | 76 | 71 | 472 | 78 | 86 | 85 | 249 | 91 | 77 | 76 | 66 | 310 | 1031 |
| May 30 2019 | 1 | 34 | 73 | 58 | 81 | 79 | 85 | 77 | 488 | 76 | 83 | 95 | 254 | 80 | 92 | 79 | 66 | 317 | 1059 |
| May 28, 2020 | 6 | 41 | 80 | 76 | 57 | 86 | 65 | 86 | 497 | 87 | 82 | 87 | 256 | 98 | 77 | 83 | 79 | 337 | 1090 |
| May 27, 2021 | 6 | 35 | 65 | 79 | 72 | 58 | 89 | 66 | 470 | 92 | 92 | 81 | 265 | 101 | 98 | 75 | 89 | 363 | 1098 |
| May 26, 2022 | 4 | 34 | 80 | 75 | 77 | 82 | 69 | 94 | 515 | 79 | 94 | 99 | 272 | 97 | 95 | 90 | 69 | 351 | 1138 |
| May 25, 2023 | 6 | 49 | 82 | 74 | 86 | 82 | 86 | 72 | 537 | 98 | 82 | 95 | 275 | 95 | 95 | 83 | 84 | 357 | 1169 |
| May 23, 2024 | 7 | 33 | 77 | 79 | 79 | 75 | 80 | 86 | 516 | 73 | 98 | 77 | 248 | 105 | 93 | 87 | 90 | 375 | 1139 |
| May 29,2025 | 1 | 40 | 67 | 80 | 89 | 75 | 89 | 80 | 521 | 79 | 80 | 95 | 254 | 71 | 99 | 76 | 89 | 335 | 1110 |



FLORENCE NEWS

10/02/2025 FROM: PRINCIPAL PAREDES

CHARACTER TRAIT FOR OCTOBER

Parents,

As part of **Capturing Kids' Hearts**, students are learning how to **self-direct**—taking responsibility for their actions, practicing self-control, and making positive choices even when no one is watching. This skill helps children grow in independence, confidence, and character.

How parents can help at home:

- Encourage your child to talk through their choices and the results.
- Praise them when they show responsibility without being asked.
- Set clear expectations and allow them to practice solving small problems on their own.
- Model self-control by talking out loud about how you handle challenges.

Working together, we can help our students build lifelong habits of responsibility and self-leadership.

 ***JOIN US FOR OUR SECOND ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT!*** 

See the details below for all the fun:

FLORENCE ISD'S
2ND ANNUAL

 *Trunk or Treat*

Tuesday, 10/28

5:30-7 PM

FHS Parking Lot

**THE DADS
CLUB
AT
DROP-OFF!**



Car Line Takeover

Calling All Dads & Father Figures!

Help us make mornings smoother and safer for our students. We're looking for volunteers to join our Car Drop-Off Line Crew on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month.

- ✓ Less than 1 hour commitment
- ✓ Support our staff and students
- ✓ Be a positive presence on campus

Scan Here!



<https://forms.gle/m4c3oCeeklaWHECR8>



Dad or father-like figure

Florence Elementary PTO

PJ MOVIE NIGHT.



OCTOBER 17TH

Location: Florence Elementary

Movie Time: **6-8pm**

Wear your favorite PJs and come watch the musical adventure of CoCo!

Bring your own blanket

Concessions will be available - Cash Only



PJ PELÍCULA NOCHE.

Florence Elementary PTO



17 DE OCTUBRE

Ubicación: Colegio Primario Florence

Hora de la película: **18-20h**

¡Póntete tu pijama favorita y ven a disfrutar de la emocionante aventura musical de CoCo!

Trae tu propia manta.

Habrà puestos de comida disponibles: solo en efectivo.



[Click Here for Spelling Words Week 8](#)

REMINDERS

- Ensure students complete Formative Loop
- Practice Fluency Words
- Read nightly so they can take AR quizzes at school
- Practice Spelling Words

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

October- Coin War hosted by PTO

10/10 and 10/13- Staff and Student Holiday

10/17- Movie Night Hosted by PTO

10/27- Red Ribbon Week

10/28- Trunk or Treat

10/29 Indoor Movie Night at FES- hosted by PTO

11/03-11/07- Book Fair

11/05- Literacy Night



Ercilia Paredes

Ercilia is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters





FMS BOARD BRIEF

October 7, 2025

BuffsBeTheBestTheyCanBe

Upcoming Campus Events

October 9th

- Volleyball HOME vs Blanco
- Football AWAY at Ingram

October 10th

- Student/Staff Holiday

October 13th

- Student/Staff Holiday

October 14th

- Volleyball AWAY at Llano

October 28th

- FISH Trunk or Treat at FHS

November 10th

- Parent Conferences

Attendance Rates

Year-to-Date Campus Attendance Rates 8/13-10/3: 96.49%

6th Grade-96.08%

7th Grade- 96.76%

8th Grade- 96.56%

Herd Highlights

September Teacher of the Month

Tonya Papasan

Ms. Papasan teaches Resource Math and serves as an inclusion teacher in Math classes for all three grade levels. She is excited to teach her students and is a huge help to other teachers on campus! She is very knowledgeable and has helped teachers think in different ways about how they can reach their students. She encourages students and works incredibly hard to meet every student where they are. Ms. Papasan is a huge advocate for ALL students and is willing to help ANY student who needs it.



September Students of the Month

Each month, our FMS teachers vote for a grade level student of the month. Students who emulate our Motto: BuffsBeTheBestTheyCanBe! These students are announced and celebrated during lunches.



Genesis Juarez-Noriega
6th Grade

Acereth Lopez
7th Grade



Lluvia Gutierrez Holguin
8th Grade

Athletics

Volleyball- Volleyball has found success this season in various games. 7th grade is currently 4th in district and 8th grade is currently 2nd in district!

Football- Football traveled to Llano last week and came away with a win in 8th grade! 8th grades record is currently 3-2.

Cross Country- FMS Buffs raced at the District meet on Monday October 6th. 7th and 8th grade boys brought home first place and girls brought home 4th place. **Primo Martinez was the District Champion for 8th grade boys!**

BuffsBeTheBestTheyCanBe!



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Celebrate Freedom Week

Social Studies classes created lessons to support Celebrate Freedom Week. Each year, during the week that includes September 17, Texas schools honor Celebrate Freedom Week ([TEC § 29.907](#)) to highlight the values and ideals on which the United States was founded as well as the sacrifices that were made for freedom in the founding of the country. Students learn about the intent, meaning, and importance of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, including the Bill of Rights. Students also examine the relationship between the ideas in these documents and subsequent American history.

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Hispanic Heritage Month

Our Art classes learned and celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month by researching about and using watercolor techniques to create the National Flower for different countries! Completed student paintings are currently on display in our cafeteria display case!

Student Council & NJHS Elections

Student Council

Student Council elections were held Thursday 9/11. Votes were cast by students during HERD.

Congratulations to:

President - Ivan Pineda-Cruz

Vice President - Landon Marfell

Secretary - Kenzie Harvey

Treasurer - Liam Scales

Parliamentarian - Aaliyah Gallegos

Public Relations Director - Dixie Bradford

8th Grade Representative - Gulianna Garcia

7th Grade Representative - Thomas Beato

Events Committee Chair - Kaylee McDaniel

Fundraising Committee Chair - Brandon Doggett

Spirit Committee Chair - Harper Sinclair

NJHS

At the last NJHS meeting, votes were cast for the 2025-2026 officers.

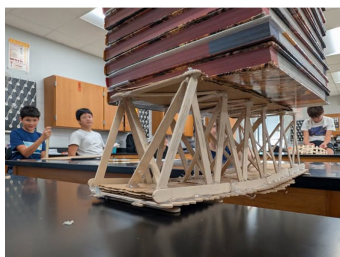
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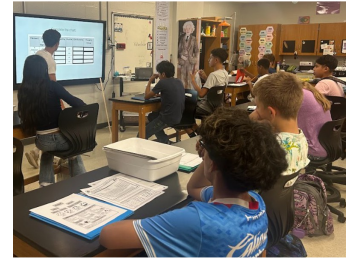
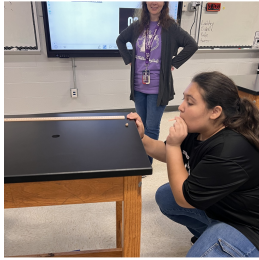
President- Llana Coates

Vice-President- Emily Miller

Secretary- Landon Marfell

Buffs in the Classroom





Florence Middle School

718 S. Patterson Avenue

Florence, TX 76527

Phone: 254-793-2504

[Website](#)



Lauren Neil



FHS Board Update

October 2025

Student Enrollment

FHS has 349 students and 105 EB students.

Celebrations

FFA

State Fair of Texas Results

Kynslee Cody, class winning cross lamb

Brynlee Cody, class winning medium wool lamb

Jessi Threet, champion Poland China gilt

Heart of Texas Results

Kynslee Cody, Grand Champion Lamb Showdown Showmanship Winner!



Kynslee



Brynlee



Jessi

Athletics

The Lady Buffs won the district cross country meet on October 6th!

Ella Morrison - 1st Place in 12:42

Sophia Koch - 8th Place in 14:28
Carissa Morrison - 12th Place in 14:47
Allyson Swanson - 13th Place in 14:48
Sara Koch - 17th Place in 15:01
Alondra Martinez - 20th Place in 15:11
Brooklyn Stanfield - 34th Place in 18:03



Bufs finished in 2nd place at the district cross country meet!

Mauricio Ortiz - 3rd Place in 18:39
Parker Jamison - 6th Place in 18:51
Carlos Moreno - 7th Place in 18:55
Axel Martinez - 11th Place in 19:41
Alexander Garcia - 13th Place in 20:37
Max Pearson - 15th Place in 20:53
August Kuehne - 16th Place in 21:13

HOSA

HOSA Fall Leadership Conference was great!!!! These ladies got to apply tourniquets, draw blood, learn about casting and many other activities!! Great day at Bryon Steel High School! Nothing but smiles all day long!



Robotics Students attend MESHCON at HyperWerx

This past Friday, Dr. Willingham took his RoBUFF teams to MESHCON 2025 at HyperWerx. These students got to experience hands-on demos, real-world setups, and test out new innovations with the SpecFive Crew. They also had the opportunity to be a part of future-shaping talks on off-grid communications, edge computing, and building resilient networks from leaders in this industry.



Important Dates

10/10 - Student/Teacher Holiday
10/13 - Student/Teacher Holiday
10/14 - 9th - 11th Grade Picture Day
10/16 - PSAT (Juniors) & SAT (Seniors)
10/17 - Eligibility Affected from 1st 9 Weeks (Gain/Lose)

10/17 - Band Community Performance
10/27 - FAFSA Night @ FHS Library 6-8pm
10/28 - Trunk or Treat
11/3 - Senior Picture Retake Day

CCMR

CCMR will look a little different this year. Students must be a CTE program completer and earn their Industry Based Certification (IBC). So, many students that earned their IBC last year will not be counted in our CCMR percentage until the end of the year when they complete their program of study.

Current CCMR Percentage: 32%

If all students complete their program of study we currently would be at 69%.



Russell Porterfield

Russell is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters