



**Special Meeting Agenda  
Thursday, July 27, 2023  
LEO Conference Center  
300 S. West Dr.  
Leander, TX 78641  
6:15 PM**

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**Doors will open to the public at 5:30 PM.**

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This is a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees. At Special meetings, Citizen Comments will be limited to topics listed on the agenda. Citizens wishing to address the Board of Trustees may do so in-person at the meeting location noted on the agenda. In order to address the Board, individuals must sign up online at <https://bit.ly/3rjrnel>, between noon the day prior to the meeting and noon the day of the meeting and be present when their number is called.

Citizens who need special accommodations or assistance with sign-up should contact the office of the Superintendent (512-570-0000) during regular business hours.

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The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
- 2. CITIZEN COMMENTS** (*Citizen comments will be limited to topics on the agenda. See the notes at the top of the agenda for instructions on how to sign up and details regarding speaking.*)
- 3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**
  - A. Consider Approval of Ratification of Leander ISD Virtual Learning Academy to Continue as Part of the Texas Virtual Schools Network 3
- 4. CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Texas Government Code 551.071: consultation with attorney regarding, pending or contemplated litigation, and/or attorney client privileged matter
  - B. Texas Government Code 551.074: deliberation regarding resignations, terminations, employment, reassignments, duties, and evaluation of personnel and public officers
  - C. Texas Government Code 551.0821: deliberation regarding matters whereby personally identifiable information regarding one or more students will be disclosed
  - D. Texas Government Code 551.074: deliberation and consideration of employment of Rouse High School Principal
- 5. ACTION PURSUANT TO CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Consider Employment of Rouse High School Principal
- 6. BOARD MEETING DEBRIEF**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting. [See BEC(LLEGAL)]

# Leander ISD Board Meeting Agenda Item Information

Meeting Date: July 27, 2023

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| <b>Agenda Item:</b>               | Consider Approval of Ratification of Leander ISD Virtual Learning Academy to Continue as Part of the Texas Virtual Schools Network |
| <b>Purpose (this meeting):</b>    | <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item/Report Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Requested                          |
| <b>Administrator Responsible:</b> | Chrysta Carlin, Ed.D. and Clay Currier, Ed.D.  |
| <b>Attachments:</b>               | N/A  |

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## **Background Information:**

### **SB 15**

Senate Bill 15 TEC 29.9091 (87-2): Local Remote Learning allowed rated “C” or higher to offer virtual courses outside of the Texas Virtual Schools Network. Local Educational Agencies (LEA) could receive ADA-based funding for local remote learning delivered synchronously or asynchronously for grades K - 12. SB 15 is set to expire on September 1, 2023. While multiple bills were filed, a bill to continue virtual education options and address the Texas Commission on Virtual Education’s recommendations did not pass. Governor Abbott directed the Commissioner to waive specific requirements for LEAs to continue offering virtual options for the next two school years (2023-24 and 2024-25) under the authority of the Texas Virtual School Network (TXVSN). Leander ISD Virtual Learning Academy is seeking to continue operating as a Texas Virtual Schools Network full-time online school. Leander ISD must submit a waiver application for the Texas Virtual Schools Network and obtain the Board of Trustees' approval to operate as a TXVSN online school.

### **TXVSN Waiver**

TEA requires all LEAs to apply for the TXVSN Waiver for the 2023-24 school year in order to continue operations past September 1, 2023. The TXVSN waiver addresses the following areas:

- Part-Time Funding
  - Approved LEAs may receive full completion-based funding once SB 15 expires on September 1, 2023.
  - Funding is provided through TXVSN’s completion based funding model. At the end of the school year, ADA eligibility status for each semester is based on whether the student successfully completed the TXVSN online semester courses in which the student was enrolled. Successful completion of two courses qualifies the student for half-day funding or four or more courses in a semester qualifies the student for full-day funding.
- Professional Development
  - Specific additional professional development required for virtual instructors is waived.
- Grades K-2
  - LEAs that offered K-2 during the 2022-23 school year may continue to do so.
- Course Review
  - LEAs do not need an independent third-party review of courses.
- Student Eligibility
  - Students no longer have had to reside in Texas in the prior year in order to enroll in a TXVSN.

### **Administrative Recommendation:**

Administration recommends the approval of ratification for the Leander ISD Virtual Learning Academy to become part of the Texas Virtual Schools Network.

### **Sample Motion:**

I move the Board of Trustees approve administration’s request to continue operating the Leander ISD Virtual Learning Academy for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years as part of the Texas Virtual Schools Network, by submitting the TXVSN waiver application.