

**Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
November 14, 2023**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on November 14, 2023, beginning at 7:00 PM, in the Administration Building, 400 East Loop 340, Waco, TX 76705.

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. For more information about public comment, see Policy BED. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

- I. Roll Call, Establishment of Quorum, and Call to Order -- Board President
- II. Opening Ceremony -- Board President
- III. Consider Listing of Agenda Items -- Board President
- IV. Recognition Items -- Board President and Dr. Sharon M. Shields
 - A. Coach D for his exceptional work with our students and publishing their book "Today We Win". -- Dr. Sharon M. Shields
 - B. La Vega ECHS/P-TECH Showcase -- Ms. Jeanne Gravitt and Mr. Chris Ward
- V. Public Participation -- Board President
- VI. Special Reports -- Board President
 - A. Superintendent's Report -- Dr. Sharon M. Shields
 - 1. Student Enrollment Update -- Dr. Sharon M. Shields
 - 2. Calendar of Events -- Dr. Sharon M. Shields
- VII. Consider Consent Agenda Items -- Board President
 - A. Minutes for Meetings Held -- Ms. Betty Bentura
 - B. Monthly Tax Collection Recap and Report -- Mr. James Garrett
 - C. Quarterly Investment Report -- Mr. James Garrett
 - D. Budget Amendments -- Mr. James Garrett
 - E. Localized Policy Manual Update 122 -- Mr. Todd Gooden
- VIII. Action and Discussion Items -- Board President
 - A. Consider Discussion and Possible Action on Board Meeting Start Time. -- Mr. Henry C. Jennings, Board of Trustees President
 - B. Consider Resolution of Votes Cast to Elect Directors for the McLennan Central Appraisal District for 2023-2024 -- Dr. Sharon M. Shields
 - C. Consider Monthly Budget Analysis Report -- Mr. James Garrett
 - D. Consider Teacher and Professional Employee Contract Recommendations -- Mr. Todd Gooden
- IX. Closed Meeting -- Board President
- X. Adjournment -- Board President

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f).

Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting. [See TASB Policy BEC(LEGAL)]

For the Board of Trustees

ROLL CALL, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM, AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at _____ m.

Board of Trustees Members Present: _____

Board of Trustees Members Absent: _____

School Personnel Present: _____

Others Present: _____

BOARD PRESIDENT:

THE OPENING CEREMONY CONSISTING OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TO THE TEXAS FLAG WILL BE PROVIDED BY:

(NAME, TITLE, POSITION, LVISD CAMPUS/DEPT.)



PLEDGE TO UNITED STATES FLAG. I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



PLEDGE TO TEXAS FLAG: "Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

APPROVE LISTING OF AGENDA ITEMS

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Dr. Sharon M. Shields and Board President

Background Information:

Board Members are asked to review the listing of agenda items.

Fiscal Implication:

N/A

Administrative Recommendation:

N/A

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against

Abstain:

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

N/A

Background Information:

The consent agenda shall include items of a routine and/or recurring nature grouped together under one action item. For each item listed as part of a consent agenda, the Board shall be furnished with background material. All such items shall be acted upon by one vote without separate discussion, unless a Board member requests that an item be withdrawn for individual consideration. The remaining items shall be adopted under a single motion and vote.

Fiscal Implication:

N/A

Administrative Recommendation:

N/A

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against

Abstain:

Approve Minutes for Meeting(s) Held

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Dr. Sharon M. Shields or Ms. **Betty Bentura**

Background Information:

The Board shall prepare and retain minutes or make a tape recording of each of its open meetings. The minutes shall state the subject matter of each deliberation and shall indicate each vote, order, decision, or other action taken by the Board. The minutes or tapes are public records and shall be made available for public inspection and copying on request to the Superintendent or designee.

Fiscal Implication:

None.

Administrative Recommendation:

Board review and approval.

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:



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Office of the Superintendent

**La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
October 17, 2023**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT – Mildred Watkins, Henry C. Jennings, Myron Ridge, Raymond Koon, and Brenda Rocha

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT – Rev. Larry Carpenter and Randy Devorsky,

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT – Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Dr. Charla Rudd, Todd Gooden, James D. Garrett, Sandra Gibson, Chief Kerry Blakemore, and Betty Bentura

OTHERS PRESENT – Joe Don Bobbitt, Chief Appraiser and Stephanie Murphy MCAD

CALLED TO ORDER – Board President Henry C. Jennings established a quorum and brought the board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONY – The Pledges of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag were led by Mr. Todd Gooden, Deputy Superintendent for Personnel and Administration.

APPROVED LISTING OF AGENDA ITEMS – Motioned by Mr. Koon and seconded by Mrs. Rocha, the Board unanimously approved the listing of agenda items.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE LA VEGA ISD ANNUAL FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING SYSTEM OF TEXAS (FIRST) MANAGEMENT REPORT - A public hearing was conducted on the La Vega ISD Annual Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Management Report, in which the District received a “SUPERIOR ACHIEVEMENT RATING.”

RECOGNITION ITEMS – None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

SPECIAL REPORTS – Board Members received the following special report(s).

Superintendent's Information to the Board - Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Superintendent, updated the Board Members on upcoming calendar items and other miscellaneous information.

APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Motioned by Mrs. Rocha and seconded by Mrs. Watkins, the Board unanimously approved the following consent agenda items:

- the minutes for the September 19, 2023 regular board meeting
- Revision to the LVISD Job Description Manual & paygrade charts
- the Taxing Unit Resolution
- the recommended Teacher and Professional Employee Contract Recommendation

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS - The following items were considered, discussed, and/or approved by the Board of Trustees.

Approved the Taxing Unit Resolution – On a motion by Mrs. Rocha and seconded by Mr. Koon, the Board Members unanimously approved the monthly budget analysis report as presented.

Teacher and Professional Employee Contract Recommendations – Maricela Amador, Tia Barcelona and Yvonne Wyatt

CLOSED MEETING – none

ADJOURNMENT - On a motion by Mr. Jennings and seconded by Mrs. Watkins, the Board of Trustees unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. on October 19, 2023.

Date of Board Approval

President, La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees

Secretary, La Vega I.S.D. Board of Trustees

Monthly Tax Collection Recap and Report

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Mr. James Garrett

Background Information:

The District contracts with the McLennan County Tax Office for the collection of the current and delinquent taxes and penalty and interest on those taxes. As part of this service, the Tax Office supplies the District with a monthly cumulative summary of taxes and penalty and interest collected. Attached the Board will find the monthly tax collection recap and report prepared by the Business Office. This report has been reconciled with the summary report received from the tax office.

Fiscal Implication:

N/A

Administrative Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve the Monthly Tax Collection Recap and Report as submitted.

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

La Vega ISD
Tax Collection Report

Current Year M&O Taxes	For Month of	Year to Date
	October 2023	October 2023
Original Current Roll		\$ 14,130,328
Adjustments	\$ (212,811)	\$ (212,811)
Total Adjusted Roll		\$ 13,917,517
Current M&O Taxes Collected	\$ 147,419	\$ 147,419
Current P & I Collected	\$ 735	\$ 735
Current Taxes Collected Adjustments		\$ -
Total Current Taxes Collected	\$ 148,154	\$ 148,154
% of Current Taxes Collected		1.0645%
Current Year I&S Taxes	For Month of	Year to Date
Current I&S Taxes Collected	\$ 48,751	\$ 48,751
Current P & I Collected	\$ 191	\$ 191
Current Taxes Collected Adjustments	\$ -	\$ -
Total Current Taxes Collected	\$ 48,942	\$ 48,942
% of Current Taxes Collected		0.3517%
Total Collections Current	\$ 197,096	\$ 197,096
		1.42%
Delinquent M&O Taxes	This Month	Year to Date
Delinquent Taxes Outstanding		\$ 732,203.00
Adjustments	(\$2,354)	(\$10,644)
Total Adjusted Delinquent Roll		\$ 721,559.00
Delinquent M&O Taxes Collected	\$16,888	\$27,122
Delinquent P & I Collected	\$4,484	\$9,670
Attorney Fees Collected		\$0
Delinquent Taxes Collected Adjustment		
Total Delinquent Balance Collected	\$21,372	\$36,792
% of of Delinquents Collected		5.0990%
Delinquent I&S Taxes	This Month	Year to Date
Delinquent I&S Taxes Collected	\$ 4,261	\$ 6,754
Delinquent P & I Collected	\$ 1,123	\$ 2,332
Attorney Fees Collected	\$ -	\$ -
Delinquent Taxes Collected Adjustment	\$ -	\$ -
Total Delinquent Balance Collected	\$ 5,384	\$ 9,086
% of of Delinquents Collected		1.2592%
Total Collections Delinquent	\$ 26,756	\$ 45,878
Grand Total Collections	\$ 223,852	\$ 242,974
Paid YTD		\$ 230,046
Balance Remaining		\$ 14,409,030
		98.43%

Quarterly Investment Report

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only Consent Agenda Item

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Mr. James D. Garrett

Background Information:

The Business Office prepares an investment report on a quarterly basis for the Board's review and approval. Attached is the report for the current quarter's investments.

Fiscal Implication:

None

Administrative Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve the Quarterly Investment Report.

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

**LA VEGA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
INVESTMENT REPORT
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

The District's cash and temporary investment balances and transactions for the quarter ended September 30, 2023 reflect the investment objectives and guidelines expressed in the District's Investment Policy.

The following is a summary of the district's cash and temporary investment position by fund group on September 30, 2023. These funds are liquid and available immediately, subject to outstanding obligations.

	<u>American Bank</u>	<u>Texas Range</u>	<u>Texas Class</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ 625,114	\$14,001,639	\$ 3,318,674	\$ 17,945,427
Interest & Sinking	5,043	-0-	1,743,882	1,748,925
Food Service	<u>1,124,095</u>	<u>45,939</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,170,034</u>
Total	\$ 1,754,252	\$14,047,578	\$ 5,062,556	\$ 20,864,386

Cash

The District's funds are required to be deposited and invested under the terms of a depository contract pursuant to the School Depository Act and under the guidelines of the Public Funds Investment Act. American Bank of Waco deposits for safekeeping and trust with the District's agent, bank-approved pledged securities in an amount sufficient to protect District funds on a day-to-day basis during the period of the contract.

On September 30, 2023, the balance of the district's bank deposits were \$1,573,481 and \$5,043 for the Maintenance and Operations and Interest and Sinking funds, respectively. These balances were covered by FDIC insurance and by collateral held by the District's agent in the District's name. The District's cash balances were properly collateralized or insured at all times during the quarter.

Temporary Investment Earnings

Cash balances are held by American Bank, Texas Range and Texas Class. The following is a summary of each pooled fund group's interest earnings for the first ten-months of the fiscal year, as well as the budgetary comparison:

	<u>As of 09/30/2023</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>Over/(Under)</u>
General Fund	\$ 15,083	\$ 575,000	\$ 559,917
Interest & Sinking	201	500	299
Food Service	<u>7,895</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>42,105</u>
	\$ 23,179	\$ 625,000	\$ 602,321

Interest Earnings & Rates

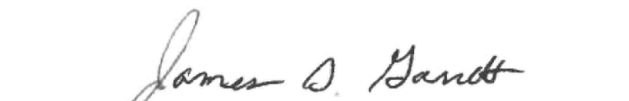
The table represents the interest earned by each investment category. The District's total earnings from investments were **\$23,179** for the fiscal YTD through September 30, 2023.

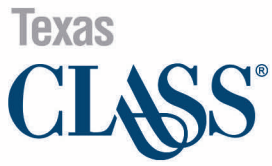
	<u>American Bank</u>	<u>Texas Range Daily</u>	<u>Texas Daily Select</u>	<u>Texas Class</u>
Average Monthly Yield	0.20%	5.36%	5.58%	5.5213%

We're experiencing strong rates in this current financial environment.

We, the approved Investment Officers of La Vega ISD, hereby certify that the following Investment Report represents the investment position of the district as of September 30, 2023 in compliance with the Board approved Investment Policy, the Public Funds Investment Act (Texas Government Code 2256), and, Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).


Dr. Sharon M. Shields, Superintendent of Schools


James D. Garrett, Asst. Superintendent for Finance



Summary Statement

September 30, 2023

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Investor ID: TX-01-0316

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Texas CLASS

Texas CLASS

Average Monthly Yield: 5.5213%

		Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Income Earned YTD	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
TX-01-0316-0001	CAPITAL PROJECTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TX-01-0316-0002	INTEREST & SINKING	1,735,987.46	0.00	0.00	7,894.66	79,500.93	1,740,197.20	1,743,882.12
TX-01-0316-0003	GENERAL FUND	3,235,947.11	3,250,000.00	750,000.00	14,676.95	142,163.96	3,318,674.03	5,750,624.06
TOTAL		4,971,934.57	3,250,000.00	750,000.00	22,571.61	221,664.89	5,058,871.23	7,494,506.18



P.O. Box 154068
Waco, Texas 76715-4068

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

LAVEGA ISD INTEREST & SINKING
400 E LOOP 340
WACO TX 76705-3420





Statement Ending 09/29/2023

LAVEGA ISD INTEREST & SINKING

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Account Number: XXXXX6063

Managing Your Accounts

	Bank Name	American Bank, N.A.
	Bank Number	254-412-2000
	Mailing Address	P.O. Box 154068 Waco, TX 76715-4068
	Website	www.ambankwaco.com

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR BANK STATEMENT

We will be performing a system update in October. As a result, all accounts will receive a bank statement dated October 5, 2023. You will resume receiving a regularly scheduled statement after that. Checking accounts receive monthly statements and savings accounts receive quarterly statements.

If you have any questions, please contact our Customer Care Center at 254.412.2000 or visit with a banker in person at any location.

Summary of Accounts

INTERNATIONAL DEBIT CARD TRANSACTIONS

A 3% fee will be assessed on international debit card transactions beginning October 9, 2023.

Please contact the Customer Care Center with questions.

Account Type	Account Number	Ending Balance
COMMERCIAL NOW	XXXXX6063	\$5,042.82





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Waco, Texas 76715-4068

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

LA VEGA ISD GENERAL
OPERATING FUND
400 E LOOP 340
WACO TX 76705-3420





Statement Ending 09/29/2023

LA VEGA ISD GENERAL

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Account Number: XXXXX6097

Managing Your Accounts

	Bank Name	American Bank, N.A.
	Bank Number	254-412-2000
	Mailing Address	P.O. Box 154068 Waco, TX 76715-4068
	Website	www.ambankwaco.com

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COMMERCIAL NOW	XXXXX6097	\$1,573,481.37





Account Statement

For the Month Ending **September 30, 2023**

Consolidated Summary Statement

La Vega Independent School District

Portfolio Summary			
Portfolio Holdings	Cash Dividends and Income	Closing Market Value	Current Yield
TexasDAILY	201.14	45,938.52	5.36 %
Texas TERM	0.00	14,000,000.00	* N/A
TexasDAILY Select	7.47	1,638.55	5.58 %
Total	\$208.61	\$14,047,577.07	

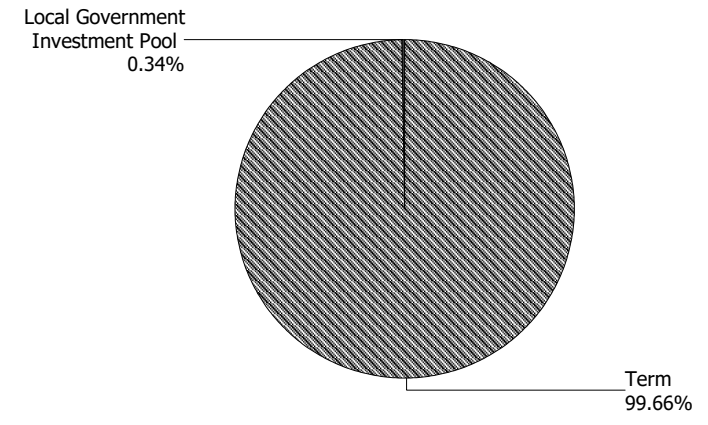
Investment Allocation		
Investment Type	Closing Market Value	Percent
Term Investment	14,000,000.00	99.66
Local Government Investment Pool	47,577.07	0.34
Total	\$14,047,577.07	100.00%

Maturity Distribution (Fixed Income Holdings)

Portfolio Holdings	Closing Market Value	Percent
Under 30 days	47,577.07	0.34
31 to 60 days	0.00	0.00
61 to 90 days	14,000,000.00	99.66
91 to 180 days	0.00	0.00
181 days to 1 year	0.00	0.00
1 to 2 years	0.00	0.00
2 to 3 years	0.00	0.00
3 to 4 years	0.00	0.00
4 to 5 years	0.00	0.00
Over 5 years	0.00	0.00
Total	\$14,047,577.07	100.00%

Weighted Average Days to Maturity 66

Sector Allocation



Consider Budget Amendments

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only

Supporting documents:

None Attached X Provided Later

Contact Person:

Mr. James D. Garrett

Background Information:

Section 2.10.6 of the Financial Accountability System Resource Guide, version 14.0, dated January 2010, states that budget amendments are mandated by the state for budgeted funds reallocated from one function level, and state and/or federal project to another. These budget changes are usually the result of unexpected levels of expenditures in certain categories and must be amended in the budget for legal compliance.

All budget amendments are required to be adopted by the last day of the fiscal year. All necessary budget amendments must be formally adopted by the school board and recorded in the board minutes.

Fiscal Implication:

Budget amendments are moving from one function to another.

Administrative Recommendation:

Approve the budget amendments as presented.

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Amendment Nbr	Date	Amendment Reason Fnc-Obj.So-Org-Prog	Original	Approved	Increase	Decrease	Amended
130021	10-20-2023	B130021 BUDGET CHANGE					
	11-6399.00-105-411000		-45,000.00	-44,760.54	.00	1,316.91	-43,443.63
	23-6399.00-105-499000		-2,000.00	-2,000.00	1,316.91	.00	-3,316.91
		Amendment 130021 Total			1,316.91	1,316.91	
130029	11-02-2023	B130029 BUDGET CHANGE					
	11-6249.00-042-411000		-15,000.00	-15,000.00	.00	4,000.00	-11,000.00
	23-6399.00-042-499700		-1,000.00	-1,000.00	4,000.00	.00	-5,000.00
		Amendment 130029 Total			4,000.00	4,000.00	
Fund 199 / 4 Totals							
	3XXX		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
	5XXX		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
	6XXX		-63,000.00	-62,760.54	5,316.91	5,316.91	-62,760.54
	7XXX		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
	8XXX		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Grand Totals							
	3XXX		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
	5XXX		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
	6XXX		-63,000.00	-62,760.54	5,316.91	5,316.91	-62,760.54
	7XXX		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
	8XXX		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00

End of Report

Localized Policy Manual Update 122 Presented

for:

Board action Report/Review Only Consent Agenda Item

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Mr. Todd Gooden

Background Information:

Update 122 encompasses changes in law from the 22th Regular Legislative Session that have an immediate effect on the governance and management of the district.

Fiscal Implication:

N/A

Administrative Recommendation:

Review and recommend to the board to local policies in update 122

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Explanatory Notes

TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 122

La Vega ISD

ATTN(NOTE)

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS UPDATE

Please note:

Changes at Update 122 are based almost exclusively on legislation from the 88th Regular Legislative Session.

Unless otherwise noted, references to legislative bills throughout these explanatory notes refer to Senate Bills (SB) or House Bills (HB) from the 88th Regular Legislative Session. All referenced bills have already gone into effect unless otherwise noted.

Each regular legislative session, legislation is passed that makes nonsubstantive additions, revisions, or corrections to existing statutes. HB 4595 was passed for this purpose in the 88th Regular Legislative Session. Minor nonsubstantive changes throughout Update 122 result from HB 4595 and are not otherwise mentioned in the explanatory notes.

For more information about the bills mentioned throughout and other changes from the 88th Legislative Session, download the free [2023 Legislative Summary for TASB Members](#) PDF from the TASB store.

The *Local Policy Overview* for Update 122, available with your Update 122 materials under [Local Manual Updates](#) on Policy Online® (TASB login required), provides a general, high-level overview of the changes to the local policies included in the update. **Legal policies provide the legal framework for key areas of district operations and are not adopted by the board.**

Changes to the policy manual based on bills from the special called sessions will be included in Update 123.

AF(LLEGAL)

INNOVATION DISTRICTS

New and amended Administrative Code rules, effective June 20, 2023, revise the process and timeline for renewing an innovation plan. (See pages 5-6.)

AIB(LLEGAL)

ACCOUNTABILITY: PERFORMANCE REPORTING

Provisions regarding remote instruction expired on September 1, 2023, and have been removed from this legal policy.

BBB(LLEGAL)

BOARD MEMBERS: ELECTIONS

This legal policy has been updated to increase the population threshold for certain districts to conduct elections jointly with a hospital district. (HB 4559)

BBBA(LLEGAL)

ELECTIONS: CONDUCTING ELECTIONS

HB 1217 repeals Election Code provisions creating different requirements for days and hours of early voting at temporary branch polling places in counties with a population under 100,000. The same requirements now apply regardless of county size.

BBBB(LLEGAL)

ELECTIONS: POST-ELECTION PROCEDURES

HB 2559 adds retired justices of the peace, the comptroller of public accounts, and former comptrollers to the list of persons authorized to administer an oath in Texas. Because this legal policy includes only the four broadest categories of authorized persons, it has been amended to include retired justices of the peace. (See Oath of Office on page 4.)

Explanatory Notes

TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 122

La Vega ISD

BBBC(LLEGAL) ELECTIONS: CAMPAIGN FINANCE

HB 2626 requires all districts, regardless of size, to post campaign finance reports filed with the district on the district website not later than the 10th business day after receipt. Certain address information may be removed before posting, and the reports must remain accessible on the website for five years.

BBC(LLEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: VACANCIES AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE

SB 232 implements automatic removal from office for certain criminal offenses. If a board member is removed, the board must fill the vacancy at the first regular meeting following the removal. (See page. 4.)

HB 17 makes nonsubstantive changes to existing law regarding removal of a board member by written petition and trial. (See page 3.)

BBD(LLEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: TRAINING AND ORIENTATION

The attorney general (AG) may require board members to complete Public Information Act (PIA) training if the AG determines the district has failed to comply with a requirement of the PIA (see page 1). (HB 3033)

BBI(LLEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

The Note at the beginning of this policy has been updated to include a reference to CQC(LLEGAL), where provisions from SB 1893 regarding prohibited applications on district-owned devices have been added.

BE(LLEGAL) BOARD MEETINGS

HB 3440 requires all districts to post both the notice *and* agenda for a board meeting on the district website under the Open Meetings Act. (See Internet Posting — Notice on page 4.) The bill repeals the previous provision that tied the requirement to post the agenda to the size of a municipality in the district.

C(LLEGAL) BUSINESS AND SUPPORT SERVICES

The Section C table of contents has been revised to rename CKA as Safety Program/Risk Management: Safety and Security Audits and Monitoring. Provisions regarding asbestos management have been moved to a new code CSC, Facility Standards: Asbestos Management.

CCA(LLEGAL) LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES: BOND ISSUES

For bonds authorized at an election after September 1, 2023, HB 3 allows the use of bond proceeds to pay for compliance with school safety and security requirements for school facilities. If TEA finds that the district is not in compliance, the district must use bond proceeds to achieve compliance before using the proceeds for other purposes. (See page 3.)

CDA(LLEGAL) OTHER REVENUES: INVESTMENTS

SB 1246 amends the Public Funds Investment Act to authorize districts to invest in repurchase agreements through a joint account.

CDB(LLEGAL) OTHER REVENUES: SALE, LEASE, OR EXCHANGE OF SCHOOL-OWNED PROPERTY

HB 2518 requires a public property lease between a district and another person to include terms requiring the person to include payment and performance bond requirements in any construction contract the person enters related to the leased property. In addition, the person must provide notice of commencement to the district at least 90 days before any construction begins. (See pages 3-4.)

Explanatory Notes

TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 122

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CHE(LLEGAL)

PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION: VENDOR DISCLOSURES AND CONTRACTS

HB 1817 specifies the circumstances under which a district contract is voidable for the vendor's failure to provide the required disclosure of interested parties. (See page 2.)

A provision has been added from HB 900 prohibiting the purchase of library material from vendors included on a list created by TEA. Other provisions of HB 900 are set out in EFB(LLEGAL). (See page 10.)

CJA(LLEGAL)

CONTRACTED SERVICES: CRIMINAL HISTORY

HB 4123 makes significant changes to the laws regarding criminal history record information (CHRI) reviews by the district and "qualified school contractors," as defined in the bill, and repeals provisions relating to CHRI reviews for certain public works contractors. The bill creates a single statutory approach to CHRI reviews for contractors and their employees.

CK(LLEGAL)

SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT

Several legislative changes affect this legal policy on safety programs and risk management:

- HB 3 requires sheriffs in counties with a population of less than 350,000 to conduct semiannual meetings to discuss issues related to school safety.
- HB 1905 allows districts to make school safety training courses, including active shooter training courses, available at no cost to employees of private schools or child-care facilities in the district.
- SB 29 prohibits districts from implementing mandates related to COVID-19.

To better present legislative changes related to school safety and make the associated policies easier to use, provisions in this policy related to safety and security audits have been relocated to CKA(LLEGAL).

CKA(LLEGAL)

SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: SAFETY AND SECURITY AUDITS AND MONITORING

To better present legislative changes related to school safety and make the associated policies easier to use, this legal policy has been renamed Safety and Security Audits and Monitoring, and provisions regarding asbestos management have been relocated to CSC(LLEGAL) in the policy series related to facility standards. Provisions regarding safety and security audits have been moved from CK(LLEGAL) and amended by HB 3.

Other revisions from HB 3 include new provisions related to the following:

- Monitoring by TEA of district implementation and operation of safety and security requirements through a new office of school safety and security
- Vulnerability assessments by TEA
- Intruder detection audits by regional school safety review teams
- Assignment of a conservator by the commissioner if a district fails to comply with specified safety and security requirements

CKC(LLEGAL)

SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: EMERGENCY PLANS

Numerous legislative changes affect this legal policy on emergency plans.

Under HB 3, a district must:

- Adopt a policy for providing notice regarding violent activity at a district campus or facility or at a district-sponsored activity. (See page 1.) [TEA issued a To the Administrator Addressed letter to provide

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guidance to educational leaders on September 7, 2023, with [Guidance on Model Standards for Parental Notification](#) that can be used to develop administrative procedures.]

- Provide the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and local law enforcement with emergency response maps and an opportunity to conduct a walk-through using the maps. (See page 1.)
- Follow TEA guidelines in adopting and implementing the district's multihazard emergency operations plan (EOP) to ensure the safety of students and personnel with disabilities or impairments in a disaster or emergency. TEA must develop the guidelines. (See page 3.)
- Submit its multihazard EOP no later than the 30th day after the Texas School Safety Center (TxSSC) requests it. HB 3 modifies the timelines related to submitting the plan and correcting any deficiencies. (See page 5.)
- Provide information from DPS and TxSSC regarding safe storage of firearms to parents. (See pages 6-7.) [TxSSC released [information](#) on September 1, 2023.]

Provisions have been added to this policy from the Texas Disaster Act regarding confidentiality of certain types of information the district may have related to safety and disaster response. (See pages 7-8.)

CKE(LLEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: SECURITY PERSONNEL

Several revisions to this legal policy on security personnel result from HB 3.

- The board must determine the appropriate number of armed security officers for each campus. The board must ensure that at least one armed security officer, as defined by the bill, is present during regular school hours at each campus or claim a good cause exception due to availability of funding or qualified personnel. A board that claims a good cause exception must develop an alternative standard. (See page 1.)
- The board's options as to who may be hired for security purposes are expanded. (See pages 1-2.)
- Security personnel are no longer required to be commissioned peace officers to carry weapons, but a person permitted to carry a firearm on campus may not perform certain law enforcement duties, except in an emergency, unless they are commissioned peace officers. (See page 5.)

HB 3 and SB 999 modify requirements related to active shooter response training. (See page 3.)

HB 1133 allows peace officers providing volunteer security services at school events to wear their uniforms under certain circumstances. (See pages 3-4.)

For more information, see TASB Legal Services' School Law eSource article "[Armed Security Officer Requirement in House Bill 3 \(2023\)](#)."

CKEA(LLEGAL) SECURITY PERSONNEL: COMMISSIONED PEACE OFFICERS

This legal policy has been updated to include existing provisions regarding the circumstances under which a body-worn camera recording may be released. (See page 5.)

CKEB(LLEGAL) SECURITY PERSONNEL: SCHOOL MARSHALS

HB 3623 allows a district to enter into a memorandum of understanding with another district, open-enrollment charter school, or private school to share a school marshal on the other school's campus for certain events. (See page 4.)

CKEC(LLEGAL) SECURITY PERSONNEL: SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

HB 3 implements requirements for a memorandum of understanding for the provision of school resource officers.

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CLA(LLEGAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT: SECURITY

SB 2069 revises the requirements for schools to post human trafficking signs. The signs must now be posted in a conspicuous place reasonably likely to be viewed by employees and visitors.

CLE(LLEGAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT: FLAG DISPLAYS

HB 2012 allows a classroom teacher to display the national motto in a classroom if the poster or framed copy meets existing requirements.

CMD(LLEGAL) EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES MANAGEMENT: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CARE AND ACCOUNTING

HB 1605 makes numerous changes to this legal policy on instructional materials care and accounting, including revisions to permitted expenditures, requisition procedures, requirements related to open education resources (OER), and certification. In addition, districts may be entitled to additional state aid for certain instructional materials.

Administrative code provisions have been deleted to the extent they are superseded by new laws.

CNA(LLEGAL) TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

Duplicative information regarding the transportation of students to accelerated instruction programs has been replaced with a reference on page 7 to EHBCA for more information.

CNC(LLEGAL) TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

HB 2190 changes all references in state law from "accident" to "collision."

CQA(LLEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: DISTRICT, CAMPUS, AND CLASSROOM WEBSITES

The list of required internet postings has been updated to include:

- Campaign finance filings at item 18 (HB 2626)
- Item 46 regarding annual reports on measurable outcomes for dropout recovery education programs (SB 1647)

A district may now either post online or provide physical copies of the report on library materials (see item 4 at Optional Internet Postings). (HB 900)

CQB(LLEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: CYBERSECURITY

SB 768 shortens the deadline to notify the attorney general of a system security breach from 60 to 30 days and requires the notice to be submitted electronically. (See page 4.)

SB 271 creates additional notification requirements for "security incidents" as defined in the bill. (See page 6.)

CQB(LOCAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: CYBERSECURITY

Based on the new notification requirements imposed by SB 271, the security breach notification provisions have been revised to include security incidents.

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CQC(LEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: EQUIPMENT

HB 18 amends requirements related to transferring data processing equipment or electronic devices to students. Beginning with the 2023-24 school year, in addition to existing requirements, districts must adopt rules establishing programs that promote parents as partners in cybersecurity and online safety and install filters to block pornographic or obscene materials or applications. TEA must adopt standards for permissible devices and applications used by a district. If necessary, Policy Service will recommend policy revisions following publication of the TEA standards.

SB 1893 requires the district to adopt a policy prohibiting the installation or use of a "covered application," as defined in the bill, on any device owned or leased by the district. (See page 3.) The Department of Information Resources (DIR) and the Department of Public Safety (DPS) must develop a model policy for districts to use in developing the required policy, and the district must adopt the required policy no later than 60 days after the model is released. Policy Service will recommend local policy revisions, as appropriate, following publication of the DIR/DPS model policy.

CS(LEGAL) FACILITY STANDARDS

For clarity and ease of use, this legal policy on Facility Standards has been divided into four codes:

- CS: Facility Standards
- CSA: Safety and Security
- CSB: Gas and Pipelines
- CSC: Asbestos Management

CS includes the existing school facility standards that apply to all district capital improvement projects. Accessibility standards as well as provisions related to portable buildings and outdoor lighting also remain in this policy code.

CSA(LEGAL) FACILITY STANDARDS: SAFETY AND SECURITY

This new policy code regarding safety and security includes existing provisions moved from CS(LEGAL) as well as the commissioner's new school safety rules for facilities, effective May 31, 2023.

HB 3 implements additional safety and security requirements for facilities.

SB 838 requires a district to provide each classroom with silent panic alert technology that allows immediate contact with emergency services and law enforcement. This applies beginning with the 2025-26 school year. (See page 9.)

CSA(LOCAL) FACILITY STANDARDS: SAFETY AND SECURITY

This new local policy on facility safety and security includes recommended provisions addressing audits of building access control to comply with the commissioner's new school safety rules for facilities, effective May 31, 2023.

CSB(LEGAL) FACILITY STANDARDS: SAFETY AND SECURITY

To present legal requirements more clearly, this new legal policy regarding gas and pipelines includes existing provisions moved from CS(LEGAL).

CSC(LEGAL) FACILITY STANDARDS: ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT

To present legal requirements more clearly, existing provisions related to asbestos management have been moved from CKA(LEGAL) to this new policy code.

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CV(LEGAL) FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

This legal policy regarding facilities construction includes several revisions:

- HB 679 prohibits requiring a specified experience modifier in construction contracts or solicitations. (See pages 5-6.)
- HB 3485 allows vendors and subcontractors to elect not to proceed with additional work without a properly executed change order. (See page 8.)
- HB 2518 adds the failure to include required lease terms to the circumstances under which a district may be liable for failure to obtain a payment bond. (See page 13.)
- HB 2965 prohibits the waiver of Government Code Chapter 2272 regarding construction liability claims. (See page 20.)

DBAA(LEGAL) EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: PRE-EMPLOYMENT REVIEWS

Changes to the laws regarding the use, confidentiality, and destruction of criminal history record information (CHRI) are from HB 4123. (See pages 4-5.) Other revisions are to better reflect statutory sources.

DBE(LEGAL) EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: NEPOTISM

HB 1789 provides an exception to the nepotism prohibition for hiring bus drivers if the board approves the employment. (See page 4.)

DC(LOCAL) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

HB 1789 creates a nepotism exception for hiring bus drivers, regardless of county population, if the *board* approves employment. We recommend adding a note referring to DBE(LEGAL) (concerning nepotism) to this policy that delegates hiring authority for noncontractual employees to the superintendent as a reminder of the special requirements related to this nepotism exception for bus drivers.

The *Legal Issues in Update 122* memo describes common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

DEAA(LEGAL) COMPENSATION PLAN: INCENTIVES AND STIPENDS

For at least two school years, a district must assign a mentor teacher to a teacher who has been issued a temporary certificate for military service members and first responders to teach career and technology education (see page 5). (HB 621)

DEC(LEGAL) COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: LEAVES AND ABSENCES

Two bills impact leave requirements for district police officers and emergency personnel.

- HB 1486 adds full-time telecommunicators authorized under the Occupations Code to those entitled to paid mental health leave after experiencing a traumatic event in the scope of employment. (See page 6.)
- HB 471 requires a district to extend a leave of absence to a police officer or emergency medical services personnel for an illness or injury related to the person's line of duty. (See pages 6-7.)

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DEC(LOCAL) COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: LEAVES AND ABSENCES

If our records indicate that the district has a police force, Policy Service contacted the district with additional information regarding this policy. If your district has affected personnel and has not discussed this with the district's policy consultant, please contact your consultant for assistance.

DF(LLEGAL) TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

HB 4520 adds conviction of or placement on deferred adjudication community supervision for sale, distribution, or display of harmful material to a minor as a basis for mandatory termination. (See page 2.)

DG(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

Revisions to this legal policy incorporate recent state and federal legislative changes.

- HB 1605 prohibits a district from penalizing a teacher for failure to follow the pacing of instructional materials for a subject in the required curriculum. A classroom teacher is also immune from disciplinary proceedings for violating certain state and federal laws if the teacher used only approved and adopted instructional material and delivered the instruction with fidelity. (See pages 4-5.)
- The federal Providing Urgent Maternal Protections (PUMP) for Nursing Mothers Act, effective December 29, 2022, repealed and replaced prior law requiring breaks for employees to express breast milk. The provisions are not limited to nonexempt employees. (See pages 6-7.)

DGC(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES: IMMUNITY

HB 2059 adds local behavioral health authorities to the list of providers of mental health first aid training who receive immunity when assisting an individual experiencing a mental health crisis. (See page 4.)

DH(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

HB 4520 adds Penal Code 43.24 (sale, distribution, or display of harmful material to minor) to the qualifying felonies that render a person ineligible for a TRS service retirement annuity if convicted. (See item 4 on page 2.)

DI(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE WELFARE

HB 915 requires a district to post information for reporting workplace violence to the Department of Public Safety.

Other changes are to improve online accessibility of the policy.

DIA(LLEGAL) EMPLOYEE WELFARE: FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND RETALIATION

Revisions to this legal policy incorporate recent state and federal legislative changes.

- HB 567 provides that the prohibition against racial discrimination includes discrimination based on an employee's hair texture or protective hairstyle commonly or historically associated with race. A district commits an unlawful employment practice if it adopts a dress or grooming policy that discriminates against such hair texture or protective hairstyle. (See page 4.)
- The federal Pregnant Workers Fairness Act, effective June 27, 2023, requires employers to provide reasonable accommodations to the known limitations related to the pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions of a qualified employee. (See pages 9-11.)

Additional changes have been made to include citations to Administrative Code provisions and update other citations.

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DL(LLEGAL) WORK LOAD

HB 1605 allows supplemental agreements between a district and a classroom teacher related to lesson planning or selecting instructional material during planning and preparation time. This applies beginning with the 2024-25 school year.

DLB(LLEGAL) WORK LOAD: REQUIRED PLANS AND REPORTS

HB 1605 allows a unit or weekly lesson plan included in instructional material adopted by the board to satisfy a requirement to prepare such a plan. (See item 6 at Restrictions on Written Reports.)

DMA(LLEGAL) PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: REQUIRED STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Several legislative changes impact this legal policy on staff development.

- A district may satisfy a requirement to implement a program related to substance abuse and prevention and intervention by providing instruction related to fentanyl abuse prevention and drug poisoning awareness (see page 4). (HB 3908)
- A district must require all district employees who regularly interact with students to complete an evidence-based mental health training program (see page 6). (HB 3)
- An athletic trainer who serves as a member of a district's concussion oversight team must take a course that meets the requirements set by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) (see page 9). (HB 2495)

Other revisions have been made to clarify the training requirements for other employees related to concussions.

DP(LLEGAL) PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Revisions to this legal policy include new Administrative Code provisions, effective May 21, 2023, regarding school counselors, including requirements that they track time spent on various work duties and that the district assess its compliance with its counselor policy. (See pages 5-6.)

The policy also includes provisions from SB 763 authorizing a district to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain to provide support, services, and programs for students as assigned by the board. (See pages 8-9.)

DP(LOCAL) PERSONNEL POSITIONS

SB 763 authorizes districts to employ chaplains or accept chaplains as volunteers to provide support, services, and programs for students as assigned by the board. These provisions apply beginning with the 2023-24 school year. While your district currently may allow chaplains along with other visitors or volunteers on campus, SB 763 requires each board to take a record vote not later than six months after the effective date, September 1, 2023, on whether to adopt a policy authorizing a campus to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain. To facilitate this record vote, TASB Policy Service sent a draft resolution with the [2023 Post-Legislative Policy Changes Policy Alert](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), for consideration by the board between September 1, 2023, and March 1, 2024. If the board approves the option to adopt a policy to authorize district campuses to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain, send your TASB policy consultant a copy of the resolution for TASB to update the district's DP(LOCAL) policy to reflect the board's decision. If the board would prefer only to accept chaplains as volunteers like other district or campus volunteers, contact your policy consultant for assistance with language at GKG(LOCAL).

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EEB(LEGAL)

INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS: CLASS SIZE

HB 2729 requires a district or an entity with which a district contracts to provide a prekindergarten program to attempt to maintain an average ratio of at least one *qualified*, rather than certified, teacher or aide for each 11 students. (See High-Quality Prekindergarten Program on page 1.)

EF(LEGAL)

INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES

This legal policy includes the following revisions from HB 1605:

- Changes to timelines and other requirements related to parental review of tests and instructional materials
- New requirements pertaining to district instructional material review on request of a parent or group of parents

The district must adopt a process for a parent to request a district instructional material review. TEA must adopt standards for a district to use in this review. Policy Service will recommend local policy revisions following publication of the TEA standards.

Provisions related to parental rights regarding consent to surveys and information collection have been relocated to new policy FA(LEGAL), dedicated to parental rights.

EFA(LEGAL)

INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

Numerous revisions throughout this legal policy on instructional materials are the result of HB 1605.

- Expanded definition of "instructional materials"
- Revised provisions regarding the SBOE's review, selection, and approval or rejection of instructional materials
- New provisions related to TEA's instructional materials website and other support for districts
- New and revised provisions pertaining to open education resource (OER) instructional material

EFB(LEGAL)

INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: LIBRARY MATERIALS

HB 900 required revisions throughout this legal policy on library materials.

- A district must adhere to the standards for library collection development adopted by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) with approval of the SBOE. TSLAC must develop standards by January 1, 2024; Policy Service will recommend local policy revisions following publication of the standards.
- Written parental consent is required before a student may check out library material rated by a vendor as "sexually relevant."
- A district must conduct a biennial review of library contents and post a report not later than January 1 of every odd-numbered year.
- Library material vendors may not sell library materials unless they have issued ratings regarding sexually explicit and sexually relevant material previously sold to the district. No sexually explicit material may be sold and any in use must be recalled. Vendors must submit a list to TEA of rated materials sold and in use, and TEA must post the list online.

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EHAA(LEGAL) BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM: REQUIRED INSTRUCTION (ALL LEVELS)

HB 1605 requires districts, when adopting instructional materials, to ensure sufficient time for teachers to teach and students to learn the essential knowledge and skills for the subject and grade level. (See Scope and Sequence and Instructional Materials on page 3.)

HB 3908 expands the scope of instruction regarding the dangers of opioids about which the school health advisory council (SHAC) must make recommendations. (See item 7 on page 7.)

EHAB(LEGAL) BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM: REQUIRED INSTRUCTION (ELEMENTARY)

HB 1605 prohibits any instruction that incorporates three-cueing in the required phonics curriculum.

EHAC(LEGAL) BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM: REQUIRED INSTRUCTION (SECONDARY)

Several bills impact this legal policy on required secondary instruction.

- SB 2124 requires districts to develop an advanced mathematics program and automatically enroll certain sixth grade students unless the student's parent opts out. (See page 3.)
- HB 3908 requires a district to provide annual instruction regarding fentanyl abuse prevention and drug poisoning awareness to students in grades 6 through 12. (See page 7-8.)
- HB 4375 requires a district to provide instruction in using an automated external defibrillator (AED) to students in grades 7 through 12 and allows a district to accept donations to provide such instruction. (See pages 8-9.)

A reference to policy EHBAD has been added on page 9 for more information on new notice requirements regarding the driving with disability program from SB 2304.

EHB(LEGAL) CURRICULUM DESIGN: SPECIAL PROGRAMS

HB 3928 impacts this legal policy on special programs as follows:

- Further outlines the district's obligations when a student is suspected of having dyslexia or a related disorder (See pages 1-2.)
- Requires the board to adopt a local policy requiring the district to comply with all SBOE and commissioner rules, standards, and guidance related to implementing the program to test students for dyslexia and related disorders (See pages 2-3.)
- Requires the multidisciplinary evaluation team to include a dyslexia specialist when determining a student's eligibility for special education services (See page 3.)
- Implements requirements for progress reports for students receiving dyslexia services (See page 5.)
- Specifies required qualifications for providers of dyslexia instruction (See pages 5-6.)

EHB(LOCAL) CURRICULUM DESIGN: SPECIAL PROGRAMS

New provisions are recommended to comply with HB 3928, which requires the board to adopt and implement a policy requiring the district to comply with all rules and standards adopted by the SBOE and guidance published by the commissioner to implement the program to test students for dyslexia and related disorders.

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EHBAA(LEGAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: IDENTIFICATION, EVALUATION, AND ELIGIBILITY

This policy on identification, evaluation, and eligibility has been updated to include a reference on page 5 to policy EHB for more information on special education of students with dyslexia and related disorders.

EHBAB(LEGAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: ARD COMMITTEE AND INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM

Changes reflect revised Administrative Code provisions regarding the admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) committee, effective July 18, 2023. The revisions include requirements related to students new to a district (see pages 4-6), including students who register in the summer, and requirements related to interpretation to ensure parent participation and understanding (see Collaborative Process on page 11).

EHBAD(LEGAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: TRANSITION SERVICES

SB 2304 requires a district to provide information regarding the Texas Driving with Disability Program to specified students. (See pages 3-4.)

EHBC(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: COMPENSATORY SERVICES AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS

The requirements for dropout recovery education programs are revised and supplemented by SB 1647. New provisions, beginning on page 6, address who can operate a program, when a district administrator or counselor may refer a student to a program, and reporting requirements.

EHBC(LOCAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: COMPENSATORY SERVICES AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS

This local policy containing provisions on accelerated instruction has been moved to EHBCA(LOCAL) (see below) to align with the legal policy created at that code in Update 121.

EHBCA(LEGAL) COMPENSATORY SERVICES AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS: ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION

HB 1416 impacts this legal policy on accelerated instruction in numerous ways, including the following:

- Implements exceptions to accelerated instruction for certain students (See pages 1-2.)
- Modifies requirements for supplemental instruction, including requirements regarding the hours of instruction and the instructional group size (See page 3.)
- Provides parents an option to modify or remove a requirement for supplemental instruction for students who failed to perform satisfactorily on certain assessment instruments (See page 4.)
- Excepts a district from the requirement to provide transportation for students to accelerated instruction programs if the district does not operate or contract for a transportation system
- Expands the requirements to provide notice to parents and requires TEA to develop a model notice [TEA released information on July 13, 2023.]
- Requires a district to develop an accelerated education plan for a student who does not perform satisfactorily on an assessment instrument for two or more school years in the same subject (See pages 6-7.)
- Requires the district to make a good faith attempt to provide a parent conference for a student with an accelerated education plan

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- Adds circumstances under which the commissioner may waive a district's accelerated instruction requirements (See pages 8-9.)
- Repeals several provisions, including provisions related to accelerated learning committees
- Amends the ARD committee meeting requirements

EHBCA(LOCAL) COMPENSATORY SERVICES AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS: ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION

This local policy has been recoded from EHBC(LOCAL) to align with EHBCA(LEGAL) created in Update 121. HB 1416 made several changes to the requirements for accelerated instruction. Recommended changes to this local policy reflect that a parent's ability to request a particular teacher after a student fails to perform satisfactorily on a state assessment is no longer limited to students in grades 3, 5, and 8. Other changes delete references to the accelerated learning committee, which has been eliminated. A district now must develop an accelerated learning plan for certain students, and parents still may file a complaint about the plan in accordance with FNG.

EHBG(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: PREKINDERGARTEN

HB 2729 makes several changes related to prekindergarten programs:

- Expands teacher qualifications (See page 5.)
- Requires a district or an entity with which a district contracts to provide a prekindergarten program to attempt to maintain an average ratio of at least one *qualified*, rather than certified, teacher or aide for each 11 students (See page 6.)
- Prescribes new supervisor requirements for entities with which a district contracts to provide a prekindergarten program (See page 6.)

EHBK(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL INITIATIVES

HB 3991 designates the first Friday in April as Texas Fruit and Vegetable Day and requires appropriate instruction. (See page 4.)

HB 3908 requires the governor to designate Fentanyl Poisoning Awareness Week, which may include age-appropriate instruction. (See page 7.)

EHDD(LEGAL) ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR EARNING CREDIT: COLLEGE COURSE WORK/DUAL CREDIT

HB 8 implements the Financial Aid for Swift Transfer (FAST) program to allow certain students to enroll at no cost in a dual credit course. A district must provide notice to parents about the program and determine student eligibility. (See pages 7-8.)

EHDE(LEGAL) ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR EARNING CREDIT: DISTANCE LEARNING

Provisions related to attendance calculation for off campus electronic instruction expired on September 1, 2023, and have been removed from this legal policy.

EHDF(LEGAL) ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR EARNING CREDIT: LOCAL REMOTE LEARNING PROGRAM

Provisions related to local remote learning programs expired on September 1, 2023. This legal policy has been deleted in its entirety.

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EI(LLEGAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Changes reflect new Administrative Code provisions regarding the academic achievement record of a student who earns a diploma for completing the Texas First Early High School Completion Program, effective June 15, 2023. (See page 4.)

EIA(LLEGAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: GRADING/PROGRESS REPORTS TO PARENTS

This policy on grading/progress reports to parents has been updated to include a reference on page 2 to policy EHB for more information on progress reports for students receiving dyslexia instruction.

EIE(LLEGAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: RETENTION AND PROMOTION

HB 3803 permits a parent to elect for a student to repeat the grade in which the student was enrolled in the previous school year up to grade 8. In addition, a parent may elect for a student to repeat a course taken for high school credit in the previous school year unless the district determines the student has met all requirements for graduation. (See page 1.)

EIF(LLEGAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: GRADUATION

Provisions related to diplomas for certain students who entered ninth grade before the 2011-12 school year expired on September 1, 2023, and have been removed from this legal policy.

SB 2294 requires a district to allow a student to graduate and receive a diploma under the Texas First Early High School Completion Program if the student satisfies other requirements. (See page 7.)

EKB(LLEGAL) TESTING PROGRAMS: STATE ASSESSMENT

This legal policy has been updated to include legislative changes regarding state assessments.

- In establishing the district's calendar and the dates for the administration of state assessment instruments, the board may consider religious holy days or periods of observance likely to be observed by students during the period for administering those instruments (see page 5). (HB 1883)
- A district may administer a state assessment instrument in paper format to up to three percent of students upon request of a student's parent, guardian, or teacher (see pages 6-7). (HB 1225)

F(LLEGAL) STUDENTS

The Section F table of contents has been revised to add the new code FA, Parent Rights and Responsibilities. We have also added for future expansion a new code addressing identification of students at FI.

FA(LLEGAL) PARENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Many of the legal provisions regarding parent rights have been moved to this new policy code so that information is available in a single location. In addition, this policy catalogs the other policy codes that address specific parents' rights throughout the policy manual.

FD(LLEGAL) ADMISSIONS

SB 1008 extends the deadline for an active-duty military parent to provide proof of residence in the district from 10 to 90 days after arrival. (See pages 3-4.)

HB 3 requires a parent enrolling a child or the district the child most recently attended to provide the new district a copy of the child's disciplinary record and any threat assessment involving the child's behavior. (See page 8.)

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FDA(LEGAL)

ADMISSIONS: INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS

HB 3 requires a transfer student's district of residence to provide the receiving district with the student's disciplinary record and any threat assessment involving the student's behavior. (See page 1.)

HB 1959 and HB 2892 require the board to grant the request of a peace officer who is a parent of a student or a servicemember who is a parent of a student to transfer the student to another campus or to another district under an agreement between the districts under Education Code 25.035. (See pages 2-3.)

FDB(LEGAL)

ADMISSIONS: INTRADISTRICT TRANSFERS AND CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS

A reference to information regarding intradistrict transfers requested by a parent who is a servicemember or peace officer has been added to page 2 of this legal policy. The referenced information is located in FDA(LEGAL).

FEA(LEGAL)

ATTENDANCE: COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

HB 1212 prohibits a district from requiring documentation from a clergy member or other religious leader and requires the district to accept a note from a parent when excusing a student's absence to observe a religious holy day. (See page 4.)

SB 68 allows a district to excuse a student from attending school for career investigation days to visit a professional's workplace during the student's junior and senior years to determine the student's interest in a career in the professional's field. (See page 6.)

HB 4559 increases the population threshold for constitutional county courts in certain counties to be designated as truancy courts. (See page 8.)

FEA(LOCAL)

ATTENDANCE: COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

SB 68 allows a district to excuse a student from attending school for career investigation days to visit a professional's workplace during the student's junior and senior years to determine the student's interest in a career in the professional's field. Districts that choose to excuse students for absences to visit a professional's workplace to explore a career in that professional's field must adopt a policy to determine when an absence will be excused for this purpose and a procedure to verify the visit. A new provision offered for the board's consideration at Career Investigation permits such absences for the maximum amount allowed in law — up to two days during a student's junior year and up to two days during the student's senior year. Contact your policy consultant for revisions if the district will allow fewer excused absences or will not allow any excused absences for this purpose.

The *Legal Issues in Update 122* memo describes common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

FEB(LEGAL)

ATTENDANCE: ATTENDANCE ACCOUNTING

References regarding funding for courses taken with the Texas Virtual School Network have been updated.

FEC(LEGAL)

ATTENDANCE: ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT

Provisions allowing a district to adopt a policy to exempt students from the 90 percent rule for courses offered under a local remote learning program exception expired on September 1, 2023, and have been removed from this legal policy.

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FED(LLEGAL)

ATTENDANCE: ATTENDANCE ENFORCEMENT

HB 3917 allows a parent against whom a complaint for contributing to nonattendance has been filed to enter a written agreement to complete counseling, training, or another program designated by the district. (See page 10.)

FFAC(LLEGAL)

WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES: MEDICAL TREATMENT

SB 629 requires a district to adopt a policy regarding maintenance, administration, and disposal of opioid antagonists at each campus that serves students in grades 6 through 12; a district may adopt a policy at campuses serving students in grades below 6. Provisions have been added beginning on page 4 regarding reporting, training, immunity, and other topics.

General provisions related to the administration of opioid antagonists have been deleted in light of the new requirements.

SB 294 revises provisions related to a district's option to adopt a policy regarding maintenance, administration, and disposal of medication for respiratory distress. A district that adopts a policy must require each campus to have at least one authorized and trained person present during regular school hours. Provisions have been added beginning on page 11 regarding required referrals after medication is administered, training, reporting, parental notice of the policy, and other topics.

Also under SB 294, a district that implements a policy for the maintenance, administration, and disposal of epinephrine auto-injectors must give notice *of the policy* to parents before the policy is implemented or before the start of each school year. (See page 10.)

Finally, SB 294 prohibits disciplinary action against an employee or volunteer who refuses to administer or receive training to administer epinephrine auto-injectors or medication for respiratory distress in accordance with board policy. (See pages 13-14.)

FFAC(LOCAL)

WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES: MEDICAL TREATMENT

Recommended revisions to the provisions on opioid antagonists are based on SB 629, which requires a district to have at least one person who is authorized and trained to administer the medication present during regular school hours on each campus that serves grades 6 through 12.

The grade levels to which this policy will apply are based on information recently received from the district.

The *Legal Issues in Update 122* memo describes common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

FFAF(LLEGAL)

WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES: CARE PLANS

SB 1506 requires a student's seizure management and treatment plan to be on a form adopted by TEA. TEA must adopt the form by December 1, 2023, and post the form on the TEA website. (See page 5.)

FFB(LLEGAL)

STUDENT WELFARE: CRISIS INTERVENTION

The required policies and procedures for the district's threat assessment and safe and supportive school team are changed as follows (see pages 1-2):

- Under HB 3, the policy must require each campus to establish a procedure for students to report concerning behavior by another student.
- SB 1720 requires the policy to allow employees who report a potential threat to elect to keep their identities confidential.

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Before the threat assessment and safe and supportive school team may conduct a threat assessment, HB 473 requires the team to notify a student's parent regarding the assessment. The team must also notify the parent of its findings and conclusions after the assessment.

HB 3 also requires that materials and information from a threat assessment be maintained in the student's school record until the student's 24th birthday.

FFB(LOCAL) STUDENT WELFARE: CRISIS INTERVENTION

Recommended revisions to this local policy on crisis intervention include the following:

- In accordance with HB 3, provisions have been added at Student Reports to require each campus to establish a clear procedure for students to report concerning behavior by another student.
- Revisions at Employee Confidentiality are based on SB 1720 and allow employees who report a potential threat to elect to keep their identities confidential.

FFBA(LEGAL) CRISIS INTERVENTION: TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE

This policy on trauma-informed care has been updated to include a reference to policy DMA for more information on mental health training for district employees.

FFEA(LEGAL) COUNSELING AND MENTAL HEALTH: COUNSELING

HB 1605 clarifies that materials required to be made available for parent review are those that are not available digitally through an instructional materials parent portal. (See page 1.)

HB 4363 requires that notice be given to students, teachers, counselors, and parents of Future Texas Teachers Scholarship programs. (See page 3.)

FFG(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

HB 63 prohibits the Department of Family and Protective Services from taking anonymous reports of abuse or neglect. Revisions have been made to the required contents of a report, including the name and contact information of the person making the report. (See page 3.) Other provisions have been rearranged for clarity.

FL(LEGAL) STUDENT RECORDS

Information regarding enrollment records has been deleted from this policy to avoid unnecessary duplication of the same information in policy FD. A reference to that policy has been added on page 4.

The following provisions have been relocated to new policy FA(LEGAL) dedicated to parental rights:

- Parental rights regarding consent to surveys and information collection.
- Parental consent requirements related to videotaping or recording students.

FL(LOCAL) STUDENT RECORDS

HB 1416 repeals provisions related to accelerated learning committees. The references to the accelerated learning committee have been replaced with references to the accelerated education plan that now must be created for certain students who fail to perform satisfactorily on state assessments.

The *Legal Issues in Update 122* memo describes common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

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FM(LEGAL) STUDENT ACTIVITIES

HB 1002 allows a licensed chiropractor or physical therapist to serve on the concussion oversight team if the person meets the training requirements. (See pages 4-5.) This bill also allows a physical therapist to remove a student from practice or competition if the physical therapist believes the student has sustained a concussion. (See page 5.)

HB 2484 requires a district to provide a peace officer, SRO, administrator, or security personnel at an athletic event on district property to ensure the safety of an official of the activity under certain circumstances. (See page 8.) This bill also requires a district to prohibit a spectator from attending athletic activities for at least a year if the spectator causes bodily injury to an official because of the official's actions. (See page 18.)

HB 59 implements new requirements for organized water activities including parental affirmation of whether a child can swim and provision of flotation devices for children who cannot swim. (See pages 9-10.)

HB 699 requires UIL, in assigning league classification, to use the same student enrollment calculation formula for a school that allows homeschooled students to participate in UIL activities as for one that does not. (See pages 15-16.)

HB 3708 provides an allotment of \$1,500 for each UIL activity in which a district allows a homeschooled student to participate. (See page 16.)

An existing provision that a nurse or health-care professional who is not in compliance with training requirements may not serve on a concussion oversight team has been relocated from GKG. (See page 5.)

FNCA(LEGAL) STUDENT CONDUCT: DRESS CODE

HB 567 prohibits a student dress or grooming policy, including an extracurricular dress code, that discriminates against a hair texture or protective hairstyle commonly or historically associated with race. In light of this new Education Code provision, citations to older caselaw have been deleted.

FNCC(LEGAL) STUDENT CONDUCT: PROHIBITED ORGANIZATIONS AND HAZING

SB 1900 expands the offense of coercing, inducing, or soliciting membership in a criminal street gang to include a foreign terrorist organization. (See page 1.)

SB 37 allows a report of hazing to be made to a peace officer or law enforcement agency. Provisions regarding immunity for reporting hazing have been added to this legal policy. (See page 2.)

FNCD(LEGAL) STUDENT CONDUCT: TOBACCO USE AND POSSESSION

This legal policy on tobacco use and possession has been updated to include a reference to policy FOC regarding the new disciplinary consequences for conduct involving e-cigarettes.

FNCF(LEGAL) STUDENT CONDUCT: ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE

This legal policy has been updated on page 1 to increase the population threshold for certain districts to petition for an alcohol-free zone. (HB 4559)

FNCG(LEGAL) STUDENT CONDUCT: WEAPONS

HB 114 clarifies that the procedural requirements of Education Code 37.009(a) regarding conference and mitigating factors apply to expulsion. (See Possession of Weapons on page 1.)

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FNG(LEGAL)

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES: STUDENT AND PARENT COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES

Provisions outlining parental rights have been relocated to new policy FA(LEGAL) dedicated to parent rights.

FO(LEGAL)

STUDENT DISCIPLINE

A district peace officer or security personnel may not restrain or use a chemical irritant or Taser on a student in fifth grade or below unless the student poses a serious risk of harm (see page 6). (SB 133)

FOC(LEGAL)

STUDENT DISCIPLINE: PLACEMENT IN A DISCIPLINARY ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION SETTING

Several bills impact this legal policy regarding placement in a DAEP.

- HB 114:
- Clarifies that the procedural requirements of Education Code 37.009(a) regarding conference and mitigating factors apply to placement in a DAEP (see page 1).
- Requires DAEP placement for certain conduct involving e-cigarettes (see item 5 on page 2).
- Allows placement in in-school suspension of students who engaged in certain conduct when DAEP is at capacity (see page 9).
- HB 2187 expands the Title V felony offense of abandoning or endangering a child to include elderly or disabled individuals. (See item 25 on page 4.)
- HB 3928 requires the district, upon placement of a student in DAEP, to provide information to the parent about the process to request an evaluation of the student for special education services. (See page 8.)

FOCA(LEGAL)

PLACEMENT IN A DISCIPLINARY ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION SETTING: DISCIPLINARY ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM OPERATIONS

HB 114 allows a program of educational and support services to be provided to a student and the student's parents when a DAEP offense involves e-cigarettes. (See page 5.)

HB 3928 requires the personalized transition plan for a student exiting a DAEP to include the provision of information to the parent about the process to request an evaluation of the student for special education services. (See pages 6-7.)

FOD(LEGAL)

STUDENT DISCIPLINE: EXPULSION

HB 114 clarifies that the procedural requirements of Education Code 37.009(a) regarding conference and mitigating factors apply to expulsion. For ease of reference, content related to pre-placement proceedings has been duplicated in this policy. (See page 6.)

This legal policy also has been updated to increase the population threshold for certain counties considered to be a county with a population of 125,000 or less for purposes of JJAEP requirements (see page 10). (HB 4559)

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FODA(LLEGAL)

EXPULSION: JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

This legal policy has been updated to increase population thresholds for certain counties considered to be a county with a population of 125,000 or less for purposes of JJAEP requirements. (See pages 1-2.) (HB 4559)

GBA(LLEGAL)

PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM: ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION

Several legislative changes affect this legal policy on access to public information.

- HB 1161 adds victims of child abduction to those covered by the address confidentiality program. (See page 10.)
- HB 3130 restricts the release of information about certain persons who hold or apply for a license issued by the district. (See page 12.)
- HB 4123 prohibits the release of criminal history record information (CHRI) obtained from the FBI and limits the release of CHRI obtained from other Texas criminal justice agencies. (See page 12.)
- HB 3033 provides that the litigation exception to disclosure does not apply to election information in the possession of the entity that administers elections. (See page 16.)
- HB 30 and HB 3033 address the release of information related to certain arrests and crimes. (See page 17.)

GBAA(LLEGAL)

ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION: REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Numerous revisions throughout this legal policy on requests for information are the result of HB 3033, including the following:

- The attorney general (AG) may require board members and the officer for public information to complete Public Information Act (PIA) training if the AG determines the district has failed to comply with a requirement of the PIA. (See page 4.)
- "Business day" is defined. A board may designate 10 nonbusiness days each calendar year. (See page 7.)
- With limited exceptions, a district must submit a request for an AG decision through the AG's electronic filing system. (See page 14.)
- A district must take certain actions as soon as practicable after receiving an AG decision. (See pages 20-21.)
- A district may request photo identification from a requestor to establish the requestor has not exceeded a personnel time limit and concealed the requestor's identity. A requestor may decline to provide identification and pay a charge for exceeding the time limit. (See page 30.)

The list of state and national holidays has been added on page 8.

GC(LLEGAL)

PUBLIC NOTICES

This legal policy has been updated to increase the population threshold for the selection of the newspaper for publication of notice in certain counties (see page 2). (HB 4559)

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GKA(LLEGAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS: CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES

HB 1760 modifies the Penal Code regarding places where weapons are prohibited to require that grounds on which a school-sponsored activity is occurring be owned by and under the control of a school. (See page 7.)

GKC(LLEGAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS: VISITORS

HB 3 allows a district to eject a person on district property who fails or refuses to provide identification on request if the person reasonably appears to have no legitimate reason to be on district property.

GKG(LLEGAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS: SCHOOL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

HB 4123 allows a district to obtain criminal history record information (CHRI) from the Department of Public Safety, in addition to other agencies, about a volunteer who is excepted from the required CHRI check but subject to a discretionary check by the district. (See page 2.)

Provisions related to the concussion oversight team have been relocated to FM(LLEGAL).

GRAC(LLEGAL) STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES: JUVENILE SERVICE PROVIDERS

HB 446 changed terminology used in statutes to refer to intellectual disability. (See item 8 on page 2.)

GRB(LLEGAL) RELATIONS WITH GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACTS

This policy has been updated to increase the population threshold for municipalities to contract with one or more school districts to provide school crossing guards. (HB 4559)

Consider Discussion and Possible Action on Board Meeting Start Time

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only Consent Agenda Item

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Mr. Henry C. Jennings - Board of Trustees President

Background Information:

Previously the Board expressed a desire to revisit the start time of the Board Meeting. During COVID-19 period, the start time for the Board Meeting was 6:00 PM. The current Board Meeting start time is 7:00 PM. The Board can consider any start time, such as 6:00 PM, 6:30 PM, or 7:00 PM.

Fiscal Implication:

N/A

Administrative Recommendation:

The Administration supports the Boards recommendation.

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Consider Resolution of Votes Cast to Elect Directors for the McLennan Central Appraisal District for 2023-2024

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only Consent Agenda Item

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Dr. Sharon M. Shields

Background Information:

Attached is the official ballot for selection of the five (5) member Board of Directors of the McLennan County Appraisal District (2023-2024 term). The Board may cast all of their votes for one candidate or distribute them among any number of candidates. After casting its votes by written resolution, the District must return the ballot and resolution to the McLennan Central Appraisal District by December 14, 2023.

Fiscal Implication:

N/A

Administrative Recommendation:

N/A

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

**MCLENNAN CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ALLOWABLE VOTES BY ENTITY**

TAXING UNIT	Preceding YR Tax Levy 2022	PERCENT OF TOTAL LEVY	CALCULATED 2024 TERM VOTES
SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
AXTELL ISD	1,975,208.59	0.363180%	18
BOSQUEVILLE ISD	3,119,706.41	0.573618%	29
BRUCEVILLE-EDDY ISD	2,494,471.01	0.458656%	23
CHINA SPRING ISD	16,076,487.74	2.955971%	148
CONNALLY ISD	11,173,487.10	2.054460%	103
CRAWFORD ISD	3,525,821.27	0.648290%	32
GHOLSON ISD	768,384.94	0.141282%	7
HALLSBURG ISD	1,172,763.53	0.215635%	11
LA VEGA ISD	14,252,199.95	2.620541%	131
LORENA ISD	9,476,472.59	1.742432%	87
MART ISD	1,598,656.06	0.293944%	15
McGREGOR ISD	6,722,080.87	1.235984%	62
MIDWAY ISD	82,456,438.95	15.161202%	758
MOODY ISD	2,378,807.47	0.437389%	22
OGLESBY ISD	8,949.04	0.001645%	0
RIESEL ISD	5,082,609.73	0.934536%	47
ROBINSON ISD	12,015,671.53	2.209312%	110
VALLEY MILLS ISD	1,087,402.02	0.199940%	10
WACO ISD	103,321,188.69	18.997587%	950
WEST ISD	7,860,111.17	1.445233%	72
COUNTY			
McLENNAN COUNTY	89,442,490.77	16.445722%	822
McLENNAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	34,746,939.79	6.388893%	319
CITY			
BELLMEAD, CITY OF	2,021,120.55	0.371622%	19
BEVERLY HILLS, CITY OF	675,264.58	0.124160%	6
BRUCEVILLE-EDDY, CITY OF	390,445.28	0.071791%	4
CRAWFORD, CITY OF	426,399.22	0.078402%	4
GHOLSON, CITY OF	35,324.74	0.006495%	0
GOLINDA, CITY OF	25,038.40	0.004604%	0
HALLSBURG, CITY OF	21,085.94	0.003877%	0
HEWITT, CITY OF	6,932,322.22	1.274641%	64
LACY-LAKEVIEW, CITY OF	1,508,925.48	0.277445%	14
LEROY, CITY OF	25,858.68	0.004755%	0
LORENA, CITY OF	902,190.56	0.165885%	8
MART, CITY OF	589,947.69	0.108473%	5
McGREGOR, CITY OF	3,266,198.91	0.600553%	30
MOODY, CITY OF	420,780.96	0.077369%	4
RIESEL, CITY OF	246,705.00	0.045361%	2
ROBINSON, CITY OF	5,954,461.12	1.094842%	55
VALLEY MILLS, CITY OF	10,674.79	0.001963%	0
WACO, CITY OF	101,604,918.03	18.682018%	934
WEST, CITY OF	1,412,741.45	0.259760%	13
WOODWAY, CITY OF	6,638,037.24	1.220531%	61
TOTAL	543,864,790	100%	5,000

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF McLENNAN §

TAXING UNIT NO.

OFFICIAL BALLOT

SELECTION OF FIVE (5) MEMBERS FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE McLENNAN CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT

ENTER THE NUMBER OF VOTES, IN THE SQUARE(S) ADJACENT TO THE NAME OF THE CANDIDATE(S), INDICATING THE NUMBER OF VOTES YOU WISH TO CAST FOR EACH CANDIDATE. YOU MAY CAST ALL OF YOUR ALLOTTED VOTES FOR ONE CANDIDATE OR DISTRIBUTE THEM AMONGST ANY NUMBER OF CANDIDATES. PLEASE VERIFY THAT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST MATCH THE ENTITLED NUMBER OF VOTES ALLOWED FOR YOUR TAXING UNIT, WHICH IS LISTED ON THE SPREADSHEET INCLUDED IN THE DELIVERY METHOD OF THIS BALLOT. BALLOTS SUBMITTED IN WHICH THE NUMBER OF VOTES CAST EXCEEDS THE NUMBER OF ENTITLED VOTES, CANNOT BE COUNTED.

<u>NUMBER OF VOTES</u>	<u>NOMINEE</u>
	Michael Baker
	Travis Gibson
	Jonathan Green
	Keith Guillory
	Jim Holmes
	Dwain Moss
	Ben Perry
	Mildred Watkins

**BALLOT AND RESOLUTION MUST BE RETURNED TO
JOE DON BOBBITT, CHIEF APPRAISER, BEFORE DECEMBER 15, 2023. BALLOTS RECEIVED OR
POSTMARKED AFTER DECEMBER 14, 2023, CANNOT BE COUNTED**

except entities that are entitled to cast at least 5% of the total votes (Midway ISD, Waco ISD, McLennan County, MCC, City of Waco) must determine its vote by resolution adopted at the first or second open meeting of the governing body that is held after the date the chief appraiser delivers the ballot to the presiding officer of the governing body.

Monthly Budget Analysis Report

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Mr. James Garrett

Background Information:

The District compiles and reports revenue and expenditure data for all funds on a monthly basis. The attached monthly budget analysis reports compare year-to-date revenue and expenditures to the same period from last fiscal year.

Fiscal Implication:

N/A

Administrative Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve the Monthly Budget Analysis Report as submitted.

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

La Vega Independent School District
Statement of **Unaudited** Revenues and Expenditures - Budget vs. Actual

For the Period Ended 10/31/2023
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GENERAL FUND - 199

DATA CONTROL CODES	REVENUES	(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)		(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
		2023-2024 ORIGINAL BUD	2023-2024 AMEND BUD	MONTHLY		YEAR-TO-DATE		DIFFERENCE AMEND BUD TO YTD CURR	CY YTD AS % OF BUDGET	PY YTD AS % OF BUDGET	% OF YEAR ELAPSED AS OF 10/31/2023
				CURRENT 10/31/2023	PRIOR YR 10/31/2022	CURRENT 10/31/2023	PRIOR YR 10/31/2022				
5700	LOCAL	11,749,191	11,749,191	214,121	334,690	283,338	451,810	11,465,853	2.41%	3.89%	16.67%
5800	STATE	19,988,196	19,988,196	3,605,661	3,643,197	8,309,657	8,029,587	11,678,539	41.57%	39.99%	16.67%
5900	FEDERAL	250,000	250,000	171	171	27,005	4,458	222,995	10.80%	#DIV/0!	16.67%
7900	OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	0.00%	16.67%
5020	TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 31,987,387	\$ 31,987,387	\$ 3,819,953	\$ 3,978,058	\$ 8,620,000	\$ 8,485,855	\$ 23,367,387	26.95%	30.65%	16.67%
	EXPENDITURES										
0011	Instruction	17,517,303	17,517,303	1,372,737	1,200,221	2,942,173	2,119,172	14,575,130	16.80%	14.14%	16.67%
0012	Instr Resources/Media Services	305,194	305,194	18,960	19,676	40,137	38,368	265,057	13.15%	12.68%	16.67%
0013	Curriculum & Staff Development	512,993	512,993	26,637	30,509	61,295	48,060	451,698	11.95%	11.96%	16.67%
0021	Instructional Leadership	824,850	824,850	64,099	68,726	132,741	132,669	692,109	16.09%	22.93%	16.67%
0023	School Leadership	2,524,065	2,524,065	226,617	234,798	490,228	452,387	2,033,837	19.42%	20.62%	16.67%
0031	Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation	839,423	839,423	70,986	61,705	133,825	117,202	705,598	15.94%	13.10%	16.67%
0032	Attendance & Social Services	98,960	98,960	-	2,803	121,221	152,803	(22,261)	122.49%	144.84%	16.67%
0033	Health Services	307,157	307,157	22,324	24,735	46,595	47,936	260,562	15.17%	17.69%	16.67%
0034	Student Transportation	2,098,978	2,098,978	197,968	181,702	197,968	181,702	1,901,010	9.43%	10.29%	16.67%
0035	Food Services	30,975	30,975	(5,921)	-	(5,921)	-	36,896	-19.12%	0.00%	16.67%
0036	Extracurricular Activities	1,808,523	1,808,523	148,437	130,488	307,624	246,891	1,500,899	17.01%	14.40%	16.67%
0041	General Administration	1,659,454	1,659,454	139,690	173,640	280,806	302,281	1,378,648	16.92%	20.38%	16.67%
0051	Plant Maintenance & Operations	3,768,921	3,768,921	285,251	623,503	503,082	1,143,284	3,265,839	13.35%	21.08%	16.67%
0052	Security & Monitoring Services	568,002	568,002	78,237	73,303	162,201	151,417	405,801	28.56%	41.06%	16.67%
0053	Data Processing Services	1,248,883	1,248,883	192,140	193,345	272,390	273,086	976,493	21.81%	20.82%	16.67%
0061	Community Services	5,084	5,084	-	217	-	217	5,084	0.00%	35.00%	16.67%
0071	Debt Service	281,000	281,000	-	-	14,822	11,884	266,178	5.27%	7.05%	16.67%
0081	Facility Acquisition & Construction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	0.00%	16.67%
0095	Payment to JJAEP	27,500	27,500	-	7,968	-	9,468	27,500	0.00%	36.42%	16.67%
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges	229,000	229,000	-	-	-	-	229,000	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%
6030	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 34,656,265	\$ 34,656,265	\$ 2,838,162	\$ 3,027,339	\$ 5,701,187	\$ 5,428,827	\$28,955,078	16.45%	16.35%	16.67%
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (2,668,878)	\$ (2,668,878)	\$ 981,791	\$ 950,719	\$ 2,918,813	\$ 3,057,028				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(9)	(9)			(9)					
7910	Transfers In										
8910	Transfers Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -				
	TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										
1200	Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (2,668,878)	\$ (2,668,878)		(11)	\$ 2,918,813					
100	EST. Fund Balance - Sept. 1		\$ 15,208,423		(12)	\$ 15,208,423					
3000	Fund Balance - Aug 31 (projected and unaudited)		\$ 12,539,545		(14)	\$ 18,127,236					

- (1) **2023-2024 Approved Budget** - The original budget approved by the Board for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year .
- (2) **2023-2024 Amended Budget** - The original budget approved by the Board plus or minus any Budget Change Requests posted to the budget as of the date of the report
- (3) **Monthly Current Year vs. Prior Year Revenues and Expenditures** - Cash received(revenues)/disbursed(expenditures) for the current month compared with the same period last year
- (4) **Year To Date Current Year vs. Prior Year Revenues and Expenditures** - Cash received(revenues)/disbursed(expenditures) for the current year compared with the same period last year
- (5) **Difference Between Amended Budget and Current Year To Date** - Figures in Column 2 less figures in Column 4 (Current Column) equals balance left to receive(revenues)/disburse(expenditures) for the remainder of the Fiscal Year
- (6) **Current Year To Date as A Percent of The 2023-2024 Amended Budget** - The percent of Current Year To Date revenues/expenditures to the 2023-2024 Amended Budget
- (7) **Prior Year To Date as A Percent of The 2023-2024 Budget** - Ther percent of Prior Year To Date revenues/expenditures from the 2023-2024 Budget
- (8) **Percent of Fiscal Year Elapsed as of The Date of The Report** - The percent of the Fiscal Year which has elapsed for the as of date of the report
- (9) **Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures** - The excess (deficiency) of Revenues over (under) expenditures for the Original Budget, Amended Budget and Current Year To Date columns
- (10) **Transfers In/Out** - The amount of any transfers made to the Approved Budget, Amended Budget or Current Year To Date Columns
- (11) **Net Change In Fund Balance** - The excess or deficiency of revenues over expenditures which would add to or take away from the beginning fund balance
- (12) **Fund Balance - September 1** - The District's audited General Fund Balance as of September 1 of the current fiscal year.
- (13) **Fund Balance - August 31** - The projected and unaudited General Fund Balance the District would have if revenue and expenditures are equal to the 2023-2024 Approved Budget or Amended Budget
- (14) **Fund Balance - August 31** - The projected and unaudited General Fund Balance the District would have if the fiscal year ended on the last day of the month of the report.

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CHILD NUTRITION FUND - 240

DATA CONTROL CODES	REVENUES	(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)		(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
		2023-2024 APP BUD	2023-2024 AMEND BUD	MONTHLY		YEAR-TO-DATE		DIFFERENCE AMEND BUD TO YTD CURR	CY YTD AS % OF BUDGET	PY YTD AS % OF BUDGET	% OF YEAR ELAPSED AS OF 10/31/2023
				CURRENT 10/31/2023	PRIOR YR 10/31/2022	CURRENT 10/31/2023	PRIOR YR 10/31/2022				
5700	LOCAL	113,492	113,492	19,153	16,944	34,921	23,169	78,571	30.77%	17.80%	16.67%
5800	STATE	10,232	10,232	5,921	5,525	11,871	140	(1,639)	116.02%	0.25%	16.67%
5900	FEDERAL	2,694,115	2,694,115	436,804	267,628	442,776	348,843	2,251,339	16.43%	15.99%	16.67%
7900	OTHER			-	-	-	-				16.67%
5020 TOTAL REVENUES		\$ 2,817,839	\$ 2,817,839	\$ 461,878	\$ 290,097	\$ 489,568	\$ 372,152	\$ 2,328,271	17.37%	16.36%	16.67%
EXPENDITURES											
0011	Instruction			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0012	Instr Resources/Media Services			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0013	Curriculum & Staff Development			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0021	Instructional Leadership			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0023	School Leadership			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0031	Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0032	Attendance & Social Services			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0033	Health Services			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0034	Student Transportation			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0035	Food Services	2,791,339	2,791,339	266,536	253,055	361,174	326,122	2,430,165	12.94%	13.34%	16.67%
0036	Extracurricular Activities			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0041	General Administration			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0051	Plant Maintenance & Operations	26,500	26,500	1,737	1,020	1,813	1,534	24,687	6.84%	6.82%	16.67%
0052	Security & Monitoring Services			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0053	Data Processing Services			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0061	Community Services			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0071	Debt Service			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0081	Facility Acquisition & Construction			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0095	Payment to JJAEP			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges			-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!		16.67%
6030 TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 2,817,839	\$ 2,817,839	\$ 268,273	\$ 254,074	\$ 362,987	\$ 327,657	\$ 2,454,852	12.88%	14.29%	16.67%
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 193,605	\$ 36,023	\$ 126,581	\$ 44,496				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		(9)	(9)			(9)					
7910	Transfers In										
8910	Transfers Out			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)											
1200	Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$ -		(11)	\$ 126,581					
100	EST. Fund Balance - Sept. 1		\$ 1,218,004		(12)	\$ 1,218,004					
3000	Fund Balance - Aug 31 (projected and unaudited)		\$ 1,218,004		(14)	\$ 1,344,585					

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For the Period Ended

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DEBT SERVICE FUND - 511

DATA CONTROL CODES	REVENUES	(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)		(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
		2023-2024 APP BUD	2023-2024 AMEND BUD	CURRENT 10/31/2023	PRIOR YR 10/31/2022	CURRENT 10/31/2023	PRIOR YR 10/31/2022	DIFFERENCE AMEND BUD TO YTD CURR	CY YTD AS % OF BUDGET	PY YTD AS % OF BUDGET	% OF YEAR ELAPSED AS OF 10/31/2023
5700	LOCAL	3,444,194	3,444,194	8,246	62,532	19,843	90,966	3,424,351	0.58%	4.72%	16.67%
5800	STATE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	0.00%	16.67%
5900	FEDERAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	0.00%	16.67%
7900	OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
5020	TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 3,444,194	\$ 3,444,194	\$ 8,246	\$ 62,532	\$ 19,843	\$ 90,966	\$ 3,424,351	0.58%	3.09%	16.67%
	EXPENDITURES										
0011	Instruction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0012	Instr Resources/Media Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0013	Curriculum & Staff Development	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0021	Instructional Leadership	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0023	School Leadership	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0031	Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0032	Attendance & Social Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0033	Health Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0034	Student Transportation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0035	Food Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0036	Extracurricular Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0041	General Administration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0051	Plant Maintenance & Operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0052	Security & Monitoring Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0053	Data Processing Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0061	Community Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0071	Debt Service	2,286,452	2,286,452	806	-	1,336	-	2,285,116	0.06%	0	16.67%
0081	Facility Acquisition & Construction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0095	Payment to JJAEP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	16.67%
6030	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 2,286,452	\$ 2,286,452	\$ 806	\$ -	\$ 1,336	\$ -	\$2,285,116.00	0.06%	0.00%	16.67%
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 1,157,742	\$ 1,157,742	\$ 7,440	\$ 62,532	\$ 18,507	\$ 90,966				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(9)	(9)			(9)					
7910	Transfers In	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
8910	Transfers Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
	TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										
1200	Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 1,157,742	\$ 1,157,742		(11)	\$ 18,507					
100	Fund Balance - Sept. 1	\$ 4,520,586	\$ 4,520,586		(12)	\$ 4,520,586					
100	Less: Committed Fund Balance - Sept. 1	\$ (3,773,224)	\$ (3,773,224)			\$ (3,773,224)					
3000	Fund Balance - Aug 31 (projected and unaudited)	\$ 1,905,104	\$ 1,905,104		(14)	\$ 765,869					
3000	Less: Committed Fund Balance-Aug 31										
	Available Fund Balance (projected and unaudited)	(14) \$ 1,905,104	\$ 1,905,104			\$ 765,869					

Consider Teacher and Professional Employee Contract Recommendations

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Mr. Todd Gooden

Background Information:

The Board of Trustees of any independent school district may employ by contract a superintendent, a principal or principals, teachers, or other executive officers for a term not to exceed the maximum specified in this section. In those independent school districts with a scholastic population of fewer than 5,000, the term of such contracts shall not exceed three years. The personnel department, campus principals, and management teams interview and check references on each applicant who makes application to become a member of the staff of the La Vega Independent School District.

Fiscal Implication:

Personnel salaries are a budgeted item.

Administrative Recommendation:

Board approval of the contract recommendations as presented.

Motion:

Second:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

LV Personnel Recommendations for employees

The following employees are recommended for employment for the 2023- 2024 school years.

Name	Assignment
Natalie Hamilton	Registered Nurse/LVE Replacing: April Balderas
Byron Pyburn	AVID/Dual Credit Liaison/ECHS Replacing: Tia Barcelona (trsf)

I hereby authorize the administration to utilize my signature stamp to issue contracts to personnel and approve resignations as recommended herein.

President, La Vega ISD Board of Trustees
November 14, 2023

CLOSED MEETING

Presented for:

Board action Report/Review Only

Supporting documents:

None Attached Provided Later

Contact Person:

Board President

Background Information:

The Board may enter into a closed meeting after the following requirements have been met:

1. A quorum of the Board has first been convened in open meeting for which notice has been given.
2. The presiding officer has publicly announced in open meeting that a closed meeting will be held.
3. The presiding officer has identified the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act or other applicable statutes that authorize the holding of such closed meeting.

Fiscal Implication:

N/A

Administrative Recommendation:

N/A

A closed meeting was declared:

_____ Beginning Time

_____ Date

_____ Sections of the Texas Government Code

_____ Ending Time

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: _____

Second: _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstain: _____

Date and Time: _____