

**Discuss and consider approval of tuition fee for ineligible pre-kinder students
May 19, 2025**

1. Board Goal:

DOMAIN 1: High Quality Curriculum And Effective Instruction

DOMAIN 4: Alignment of Financial Well Being With Student Achievement

2. Background: For at least 10 years, UCISD has provided free, all day pre-K, for all children. Due to the current financial situation of the district, it has been discussed by staff and the board regarding whether or not to charge a fee for children who do not qualify based on state requirements, for funding in the 25-26 school year.

3. Process: As the district works through the budget planning process, to prepare a budget to present to the board in August, we are reviewing our practices and attempting to begin to align them with state guidelines for funding. Upon receipt of all information over the next two months, regarding the finalization of state funding, and projected expenditures, the district will present final recommendations for expenditures and reductions in August.

4. Fiscal Impact: All Day PK for All Students is currently costing the district approximately \$629,473, paid for with local funds, in addition to the state contribution, annually.

5. Recommendation: I recommend Board approval of the district beginning to charge a tuition fee for ineligible PK students for the 25-26 school year, TBD later in the budget planning process.

6. Action Required:

Board action

7. Contact Person:

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