



## NORTH EAST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Chairperson

Subject: School Health Advisory  
Council (SHAC) recommendation  
for Health course graduation  
requirement

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### PRESENTATION

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Per Board Policy EHAA (Legal), the duties of the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC), *"include recommending: 1. The number of hours of instruction to be provided in: a. health education in kindergarten through grade 8; and b. If the district requires health education for high school graduation, health education, including physical health education and mental health education, in grades 9 through 12."*

At the February 12, 2024 Regular Board Meeting, the NEISD Board of Trustees approved the creation of a SHAC ad hoc committee made up of a parent or community member to be selected by each trustee. Per the posted Board Meeting Minutes, the ad hoc committee was directed to *"create a case-by-case waiver process for the health graduation requirement and have the SHAC evaluate the health requirement and submit a recommendation to the Board by the end of May."* The Board further directed the ad hoc committee to *"focus on the health graduation requirement, the waiver process, and coordinate with District staff to get all answers in a timely manner."*

#### **SHAC RECOMMENDATION**

SHAC meetings and ad hoc committee work sessions were conducted under the requirements as set forth in BDF (Legal), BDF (Local), and the NEISD SHAC bylaws. The ad hoc committee met virtually each week from March 18, 2024 - May 13, 2024 to determine a recommendation to present to the full SHAC. All ad hoc meeting notes were reviewed and approved by the ad hoc committee and posted weekly on the SHAC website. The recommendation put forth by the ad hoc committee was based on detailed and deliberate discussion utilizing responses collected from both the parent and staff surveys along with meetings with various District staff.

The SHAC brings forth to the Board of Trustees its recommendation as presented by the ad hoc committee and approved by the full SHAC on May 22, 2024 with a vote of 25 - 7.

#### **BOARD ACTION REQUIRED**

None