

# **Ector County Independent School District Odessa, Texas**

## **Memorandum**

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Tom Crowe, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ADVISE TX MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**DATE:** July 22, 2014

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Under separate cover Trustees will receive a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") among the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board ("THECB"), Texas Christian University ("University"), and Ector County Independent School District (ECISD) relating to the Advise TX College Advising Corps program (Advise TX).

The Advise TX program has three main aims: to increase the college-going rate at partner high schools; to expand the range of colleges and universities to which students apply and in which they enroll; and to assist principals, counselors, and teachers foster a college-going culture.

Through this MOU, Advise TX will provide and appoint one advisor from the Advise TX College Advising Corps to each of the three ECISD high schools, effective August 1, 2014 to July 31, 2015.

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It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the ADVISE TX Memorandum of Understanding, as presented under separate cover.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent of Schools

**Roy Garcia**  
Assistant Superintendent of  
Secondary Education