

Killeen Independent School District Board Agenda Item Action Sheet

Date: July 15, 2025

Agenda Item Caption: Discussion of Senate Bill 401 of the 89th Texas Legislative Session and Consideration of Revision to Board Policy FM (Local), Related to Participation of Non-Enrolled (Homeschool) Students in Extracurricular Activities at Killeen ISD Campuses, including Activities Governed by the University Interscholastic League (UIL)

Purpose of Agenda Item: For discussion/action, as appropriate.

Administrative Recommendation #1: If the board chooses to allow homeschool participation, no action is needed.

Administrative Recommendation #2: Move to approve the proposed revision of Board Policy FM (Local), allowing the district to decline participation of non-enrolled (homeschool) students in extracurricular activities in Killeen ISD, including activities governed by the University Interscholastic League, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, as presented.

Background Information: Senate Bill 401, passed by the 89th Texas Legislature, allows non-enrolled (homeschool) students to participate in University Interscholastic League (UIL) extracurricular activities at their zoned public-school campus, beginning in the 2025–2026 school year, unless school districts formally opt out by board approval prior to September 1, 2025. If a student's zoned campus opts out, they may participate at the nearest district campus that permits participation. If a district does not opt out, participation becomes mandatory. If a board chooses to opt out in a subsequent year, it must do so by August 1st of that year.

SB 401 builds upon prior legislation (HB 347 and HB 3708), which outlines eligibility requirements and provides a \$1,500 stipend per activity per homeschool participant to ISDs. Homeschool students must:

- Reside in the school's attendance zone
- Submit scores from a norm-referenced standardized test
- Maintain passing grades (parent-verified)
- Meet all UIL requirements (fees, tryouts, discipline policies, physicals, etc.)
- Not have been enrolled in public school earlier in the same year

This item was discussed at the July 8, 2025 Board Workshop.

Fiscal Analysis: \$1,500 stipend per activity per homeschool participant to ISDs.

Regulatory Requirement: Senate Bill 401 (89R); and UIL Policy

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Attachments: 1) Presentation (handout)
2) Proposed Revision of Board Policy FM (Local)

Signature Requested: No