

Midway Independent School District

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Subject: **Annual ESL/Bilingual Education Board Report**

MISD Board of Trustees: September 15, 2026

Agenda Item – 7B

Background Information

In accordance with Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §89.1265, school districts are required to conduct and report an annual evaluation of the Bilingual/ESL programs in accordance with Texas Education Code (TEC) §29.053. The information in this report describes the MISD Bilingual/ESL program for the 2025-2026 school year.

As required by state law, the attached Bilingual/ESL program evaluation contains information on:

- (1) the academic progress in the language(s) of instruction for English learners;
- (2) the extent to which English learners are becoming proficient in English;
- (3) the number of students who have been reclassified from the Bilingual education and ESL programs;
- (4) the number of teachers and aides trained and the frequency, scope, and results of the professional development in approaches and strategies that support second language acquisition.

In addition, MISD filed a Bilingual exception and an ESL waiver with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for our Bilingual and ESL programs in 2025-2026. MISD will file a Bilingual exception and an ESL waiver again in 2026-2027. As required by state law, the following report will also include information on:

- (1) the number of teachers for whom an exception or waiver was/is being filed in the current and previous school year;
- (2) the number of teachers for whom an exception or waiver was filed in the previous year who successfully obtained certification;
- (3) the frequency and scope of a comprehensive professional development plan, implemented as required under §89.1207 of the Texas Administrative Code.

Fiscal implications

TEA requires that districts filing Bilingual exceptions and/or ESL waivers spend 10% of their Bilingual Educational Allotment (per filing) to fund district-wide professional development. In 2025-2026, MISD filed both a Bilingual exception and an ESL waiver and; therefore, was required to spend 20% of the Bilingual Educational Allotment for professional development. The district will again apply for the Bilingual exception and ESL waiver for the 2026-2027 school year. Additionally, the district has a system in place to reimburse test registration fees for any core content teachers who pass the ESL certification test. The cost of reimbursement is \$118.87 per teacher.

Administration Recommendation

This item must be presented to the School Board before November 1 of each year and retained by the district in accordance with TEC §29.062.

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