



SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

October 5, 2026

SUBJECT: CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON HARRIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CASE DEBATES INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Interlocal Agreement with the Harris County Department Education CASE Debates Interlocal Agreement pursuant to the Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 91, Texas Government Code and authorize the Superintendent to execute the agreement and related documents.

RATIONALE: Administration requests approval to continue its longstanding partnership with the Harris County Department of Education's Center for Afterschool, Summer and Enrichment through the CASE Debates program. The program provides participating students with structured debate instruction, coaching, seminars, and opportunities to compete in tournaments throughout the school year.

Continued participation supports the development of critical thinking, research, communication, collaboration, creativity, and public-speaking skills while expanding access to meaningful academic enrichment. Renewing this partnership will allow our students to build upon the experience and success established through multiple years of participation and continue representing the district in regional debate activities.

District benefits include:

- Maintain continuity in an established academic enrichment opportunity for students.
- Provide access to debate instruction, coaching, seminars, and competitive experiences.
- Strengthen students' research, reasoning, communication, teamwork, and public-speaking skills.
- Support student confidence, leadership development, and college and career readiness.

BUDGET PROVISIONS/ACTION REQUIRED: Not Applicable

RESOURCE PERSONNEL: Dr. Montemayor
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