



La Vernia Independent School District

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La Vernia ISD...Uncompromising Excellence, Unlimited Possibilities

Dr. Hensley Cone, Superintendent

Action Agenda Sheet

Date: October 19, 2026

Subject: ESL Program Review and Program Waiver Submission Approval

Administrator Responsible: Ms. Linsay Humphrey, Bilingual Curriculum Specialist

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

Information/Report only	☒ Action needed
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B. District Goal:

1. Provide opportunities for all students to become College, Career, and Military Ready Graduates

Choose a District Goal

C. Summary:

ESL Program Evaluation:

As stated in Chapter 89, Commissioner's Rules Concerning State Plan for Educating Emergent Bilingual Students, districts are required to conduct an annual evaluation of their bilingual/ESL programs in accordance with Texas Education Code 29.053 This evaluation shall be presented to the Board of Trustees before November 1 in accordance with Texas Education Code 29.062.

ESL Waiver Approval:

In accordance with TAC § 89.1207 - Bilingual Program Exceptions and English as a Second Language (ESL) Program Waivers, a district that is unable to provide a bilingual and/or an English as a second language (ESL) program as required by §89.1205(a and c) because of an insufficient number of appropriately certified teachers shall request from the commissioner of education an exception to the bilingual program and/or a waiver for the ESL program and the approval of temporary alternative methods as defined in §89.1203 that align as closely as possible to the required bilingual or ESL program.

D. Budgetary Impact:

None

E. Administrative Recommendation:

Move to approve the submission of the ESL Program Waiver to TEA for 2026-2027 as presented.

La Vernia ISD Mission Statement

The mission of La Vernia ISD is to collaboratively educate and inspire all students to be life-long learners with unlimited possibilities as contributing members of society.