



School Board Agenda Item

Subject: Resolution to Adopt the TEA Code's Definition of Hazardous Routes and the List of WOCCISD Hazardous Route Areas **Item Number:**

Section: Consent Agenda **Date:** June 27, 2011

Exec. Leadership Member(s): Dr. Wayne Guidry, Exec. Dir. Of Operations

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Presenter(s): Dr. Wayne Guidry, Exec. Dir. Of Operations

Recommendation:

The administration recommends that the Board approve a resolution adopting the Texas Education Code's definition of a hazardous route and the list of WOCCISD hazardous areas, as presented.

Summary:

Rationale:

The district is required to adopt a resolution that defines hazardous conditions applicable to the district and identifies the hazardous areas within the district's walk zones.

Background:

Assessments of attendance zones have been performed in order to identify hazardous areas within walk zones of WOCCISD campuses. A school's walk zone is the area within two miles of the school. A hazardous area is one in which dangerous conditions within the walk zone prevent students from walking to and from school safely. An assessment of traffic volume; walk paths along major roadways, bridges, and overpasses; presence or absence of traffic controls; construction; and traffic speed was performed to identify the hazardous areas.

Supporting Documentation:

1. Resolution (1 page)
2. Eligible Hazardous Transportation (1 page)

Board Policy Reference: Board Policy CNA (LEGAL) and CNA (LOCAL)

Budget Impact: None



**RESOLUTION OF THE
WEST ORANGE-COVE CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
REGARDING HAZARDOUS TRAFFIC CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, Education Code 42.155(d) allows the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove Consolidated Independent School District to obtain supplemental state funding for transporting regular, otherwise ineligible students who live within two miles of their school but who would be subject to hazardous traffic conditions if they walked to school;

WHEREAS, the TEA handbook on School Transportation Allotments requires the Board to adopt language providing the definition of hazardous traffic conditions applicable to the District and identifying the specific hazardous areas for which such funding is requested;

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges the Education Code 42.155(d) provisions stating that a hazardous condition exists where no walkway is provided and students must walk along or cross a freeway or expressway, an underpass, an overpass or a bridge, an uncontrolled major traffic artery, an industrial or commercial area, or another comparable condition;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of West Orange-Cove Consolidated Independent School District has defined hazardous traffic conditions in the same manner as stated in Education Code 42.155(d) and has identified the following specific hazardous areas in which such conditions exist:

Adopted this _____ day of _____, _____, by the West Orange-Cove Consolidated Independent School District Board of Trustees.

President

Secretary

ELIGIBLE HAZARDOUS TRANSPORTATION



Definition of Hazardous Conditions: A hazardous condition exists when no walkway is provided and children must walk along or cross a freeway or expressway, an underpass or bridge, an uncontrolled major traffic artery, an industrial or commercial area or another comparable condition. Construction areas may be considered hazardous on an as needed basis.

<u>HIGH SCHOOLS</u>	<u>DESIGNATED HAZARDOUS AREAS</u>
Grades 9 to 12	(Within two miles of campus)

WEST ORANGE STARK HS:

Areas North of South on Broad & Carol and south of Tanglewood.
East side of Greenbrier St.

<u>MIDDLE SCHOOLS</u>	<u>DESIGNATED HAZARDOUS AREAS</u>
Grade 6 to 8	(Within two miles of campus)

WEST ORANGE STARK MS:

All areas east of 16th to Simmon and North to Barking Ave from MS.
Cove area south of Green to Kentucky.
West Orange South of McArthur to Travis St & East of Lansing.
South of Monterey to W. Park & West of 16th to Sunrise Oaks Dr.

<u>ELEMENTARY</u>	<u>DESIGNATED HAZARDOUS AREAS</u>
Grades K to 5	(Within two miles of campus)

WEST ORANGE STARK ELE:

All areas north of Hwy 10 to FM 1078.
Areas south of Hwy 10 to Lexington, Azalea St. to East of MLK.