



Brownsville Independent School District

Agenda Category: General Function Board of Education Meeting: 06/23/2026

Item Title:	<u>Resolution #28/2025-2026</u>	<u>X</u>	Action
	<u>Compensate Employees Due to</u>	<u> </u>	Information
	<u>Inclement Weather</u>	<u> </u>	Discussion

BACKGROUND:

Whereas, the recent severe storms and flooding posed an imminent threat and severe property damage, due to heavy rainfall and flash flooding and whereas a Disaster Declaration was issued for the County of Cameron, resulting in the closure of the Brownsville Independent School District on June 16, 2026 for the safety of students and staff.

Employees who were on prior-approved long-term leave shall continue to be charged for such leave and shall not earn any other benefit as compensation.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approval of Resolution #28/2025-2026 to excuse any pay for the time missed by employees caused by the District closure due to the inclement weather on June 16, 2026.

Dr. Alda T. Benavides *(ab)*
Submitted by: Interim Superintendent

Dr. Alda T. Benavides *(ab)*
Recommended by: Interim Superintendent

Dr. Alda T. Benavides *(ab)*
Approved by: Interim Superintendent

Approved for Submission to Board of Education:

Alda Benavides
Dr. Alda T. Benavides, Interim Superintendent

When Necessary, Additional Background May Follow This.



Eddie Treviño, Jr.
County Judge

June 15, 2026

The Honorable Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas
c/o State Coordinator
Governor's Division of Emergency Management
P. O. Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773

Dear Governor Abbot:

The County of Cameron, Texas is facing significant threats to life, health and property due to:

Event 26-0018 14th June Severe Weather.

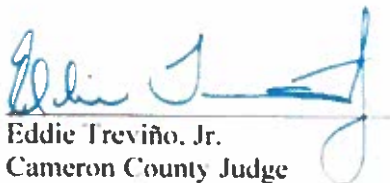
- The potential impact of this is: Event 26-0018 14th June Severe Weather Event may cause significant flooding throughout Cameron County, especially in poor drainage areas.
- The National Weather Service (NWS) is predicting between 5-10 inches of rain in Cameron County – potentially creating flooding up to 2-3 feet in depth.

I have determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that an effective response is beyond the capability of the local jurisdiction to control. Pursuant to §418.001 of the Texas Government Code, I am requesting that you declare a disaster for the County of Cameron and issue appropriate directives to deal with the emergency, including:

Disaster Declaration for Cameron County should take effect immediately.

Furthermore, I am asking that successive proclamations to be issued and remain in effect until the threat of loss of life, injury, or damage to property is contained.

A timely response to this request would be appreciated.


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Cameron County Judge

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DECLARATION OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, THE JUDGE OF CAMERON COUNTY ON THE 15TH OF JUNE 2026, HAS SUFFERED WIDESPREAD OR SEVERE DAMAGE, INJURY, OR LOSS OF LIFE OR PROPERTY (OR THERE IS IMMINENT THREAT OF SAME) RESULTING FROM THE EXPECTED 26-0018 14TH JUNE SEVERE WEATHER EVENT, AND

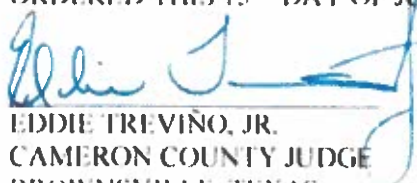
WHEREAS, THE JUDGE OF CAMERON COUNTY HAS DETERMINED THAT EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES MUST BE TAKEN TO ALLEVIATE THE SUFFERING OF PEOPLE AND TO PROTECT OR REHABILITATE PROPERTY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE JUDGE OF CAMERON COUNTY:

1. THAT A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER IS HEREBY DECLARED FOR THE COUNTY OF CAMERON PURSUANT TO §418.108(A) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.
2. PURSUANT TO §418.108(B) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THE STATE OF DISASTER SHALL CONTINUE FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN SEVEN DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS DECLARATION UNLESS CONTINUED OR RENEWED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF CAMERON COUNTY.
3. PURSUANT TO §418.108(C) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THIS DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER SHALL BE GIVEN PROMPT AND GENERAL PUBLICITY AND SHALL BE FILED PROMPTLY WITH THE CAMERON COUNTY CLERK.
4. PURSUANT TO §418.108(D) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THIS DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER ACTIVATES THE CAMERON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN.

THAT THIS PROCLAMATION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY FROM AND AFTER ITS ISSUANCE.

ORDERED THIS 15TH DAY OF JUNE 2026.


EDDIE TREVIÑO, JR.
CAMERON COUNTY JUDGE
BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS