

CROSBY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 29, 2021

AGENDA ITEM:

Consider the request to submit a waiver application to the Texas Education Agency due to water damage sustained in the Pre-K area of Crosby Kindergarten Center as a result of Winter Storm Uri.

EXPLANATION OR RATIONALE:

Crosby ISD's Pre-K Campus was closed from February 22-26, 2021 due to water damage caused by a ruptured pipe sustained during Winter Storm Uri. The campus suffered water damage in seven (7) classrooms and a conference room. Due to the extensive damages, the district has been required to discontinue face-to-face instruction and transition to remote learning. Per the Attendance and Enrollment FAQ provided by the Texas Education Agency, an LEA may request a waiver (classified as an "Other Waiver") to receive funding while providing remote instruction during an LEA-determined closure that does not involve a confirmed case of COVID-19 on one of its campuses. If an LEA closes a campus that is not due to confirmed cases of COVID-19, and provides remote instruction, the district may submit a waiver, which will be considered on a case-by-case basis. This waiver request is referenced under Texas Education Code, Section 48.005.

The following guidance has been provided by the Texas Education Agency regarding the winter storm (Texas Education Agency (TEA) Winter Storm Uri Update, 3/4/2021):

Local education agencies (LEAs) had the following three options during the period of Friday, February 12 through Friday, February 26.

- Continue with in-person instruction.
- If your LEA continues to experience infrastructure issues because of outages and its related impacts, it may provide 100% remote instruction using your approved asynchronous plan. Your LEA must submit an "Other" waiver through the Waivers application via the TEA Login (TEAL) to claim full day minutes for any remote day along with any supporting documentation.
- If your LEA continues to experience infrastructure issues because of outages and its related impacts that prevents it from providing

remote instruction, the LEA may close completely. Please submit these Missed School Day waiver requests through the Waivers Application via TEAL, with supporting documentation, following The closure event.

(The second bullet above provides guidance directly related to this waiver request.)

FINANCIAL OR PERSONNEL IMPLICATION:

None

RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends approval of the request to submit a waiver application to the Texas Education Agency due to water damage sustained in the Pre-K area of Crosby Kindergarten Center.

CONTACT PERSON:

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