

**BOARD CONSENT AGENDA ITEM**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting July 30, 2024**

Consider Approval of 2023 – 2024 Low Attendance Waivers

**SUMMARY:**

This item requests approval to apply for a low attendance days waiver from the Texas Education Agency (TEA). As allowed by TEA, “districts or campuses can request a waiver to excuse any instructional days from ADA and FSP funding calculations that have attendance at least 10 percentage points below the last school year’s overall average attendance, for the district or applicable campus due to inclement weather, health, or safety-related issues.”

As reported in PEIMS, the ADA for the 2022-2023 year was 94.48%. Indicated in the table below, 33 different campuses realized a 10% or more drop in campus and/or district average daily attendance for the specific dates noted below during the 2023 – 2024 school year when compared to the district’s ADA for the 2022 – 2023 school year.

A summary of the ADA percentage information is included below:

Current Year Date	Current Year ADA %	Prior Year Date	Prior Year Campus ADA Percentage 2022-2023	Prior Year District Overall ADA %	Campus	Reason
10/3/2023	79.75%	2022-2023	93.97%	94.46%	Rodriguez MS	Safety
1/16/2024	76.71%	2022-2023	94.85%	94.46%	Alexander	Weather
	82.30%	2022-2023	93.71%	94.46%	Bell	Weather
	79.17%	2022-2023	92.81%	94.46%	Braswell HS	Weather
	82.47%	2022-2023	94.35%	94.46%	Myers MS	Weather
	76.96%	2022-2023	94.34%	94.46%	Borman	Weather
	81.49%	2022-2023	94.26%	94.46%	Cross Oaks	Weather
	78.30%	2022-2023	94.61%	94.46%	Calhoun MS	Weather
	82.22%	2022-2023	93.47%	94.46%	Denton HS	Weather
	83.04%	2022-2023	93.99%	94.46%	Evers	Weather
	80.95%	2022-2023	89.22%	94.46%	Fred Moore	Weather
	83.04%	2022-2023	94.65%	94.46%	Ginnings	Weather
	79.13%	2022-2023	95.92%	94.46%	Gonzalez	Weather
	77.19%	2022-2023	94.67%	94.46%	Hodge	Weather
	83.82%	2022-2023	94.95%	94.46%	Houston	Weather
	81.29%	2022-2023	94.86%	94.46%	McNair	Weather
	83.99%	2022-2023	94.55%	94.46%	McMath MS	Weather
	78.54%	2022-2023	94.46%	94.46%	Newton Rayzor	Weather
	80.08%	2022-2023	94.93%	94.46%	Navo MS	Weather
	80.58%	2022-2023	94.17%	94.46%	Paloma Creek	Weather
	83.18%	2022-2023	93.43%	94.46%	Ryan HS	Weather
	76.69%	2022-2023	93.76%	94.46%	Rivera	Weather
	83.60%	2022-2023	93.97%	94.46%	Rodriguez MS	Weather
	83.99%	2022-2023	95.23%	94.46%	Sandbrock Ranch	Weather
	78.30%	2022-2023	94.64%	94.46%	Strickland MS	Weather
	75.17%	2022-2023	95.52%	94.46%	Ann Windle	Weather
4/8/2024	74.14%	2022-2023	94.85%	94.46%	Alexander	Safety-Eclipse
	83.41%	2022-2023	93.71%	94.46%	Bell	Safety-Eclipse

4/8/2024	75.57%	2022-2023	92.81%	94.46%	Braswell HS	Safety-Eclipse
	80.56%	2022-2023	94.35%	94.46%	Myers MS	Safety-Eclipse
	74.32%	2022-2023	94.34%	94.46%	Borman	Safety-Eclipse
	75.59%	2022-2023	94.61%	94.46%	Calhoun MS	Safety-Eclipse
	81.40%	2022-2023	94.26%	94.46%	Cross Oaks	Safety-Eclipse
	78.93%	2022-2023	93.47%	94.46%	Denton HS	Safety-Eclipse
	80.97%	2022-2023	93.99%	94.46%	Evers	Safety-Eclipse
	76.92%	2022-2023	89.22%	94.46%	Fred Moore	Safety-Eclipse
	77.37%	2022-2023	94.65%	94.46%	Ginnings	Safety-Eclipse
	73.57%	2022-2023	95.92%	94.46%	Gonzalez	Safety-Eclipse
	71.43%	2022-2023	94.67%	94.46%	Hodge	Safety-Eclipse
	82.94%	2022-2023	95.61%	94.46%	Nelson	Safety-Eclipse
	78.16%	2022-2023	94.86%	94.46%	McNair	Safety-Eclipse
	78.02%	2022-2023	94.55%	94.46%	McMath MS	Safety-Eclipse
	71.59%	2022-2023	94.46%	94.46%	Newton Rayzor	Safety-Eclipse
	81.58%	2022-2023	94.93%	94.46%	Navo MS	Safety-Eclipse
	79.83%	2022-2023	94.17%	94.46%	Paloma Creek	Safety-Eclipse
	82.73%	2022-2023	95.65%	94.46%	Pecan Creek	Safety-Eclipse
	78.36%	2022-2023	94.23%	94.46%	Providence	Safety-Eclipse
	79.74%	2022-2023	93.43%	94.46%	Ryan HS	Safety-Eclipse
	82.61%	2022-2023	93.76%	94.46%	Rivera	Safety-Eclipse
	79.51%	2022-2023	93.97%	94.46%	Rodriguez MS	Safety-Eclipse
	83.19%	2022-2023	95.23%	94.46%	Sandbrock Ranch	Safety-Eclipse
	83.16%	2022-2023	94.28%	94.46%	Savannah	Safety-Eclipse
	77.86%	2022-2023	95.31%	94.46%	Shultz	Safety-Eclipse
	74.67%	2022-2023	94.64%	94.46%	Strickland MS	Safety-Eclipse
	84.28%	2022-2023	94.52%	94.46%	Stephens	Safety-Eclipse
	82.51%	2022-2023	95.11%	94.46%	Union Park	Safety-Eclipse
	78.47%	2022-2023	95.52%	94.46%	Ann Windle	Safety-Eclipse
	78.66%	2022-2023	95.42%	94.46%	WS Ryan	Safety-Eclipse

## BOARD GOALS:

### TEACHING & LEARNING

#### *IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE, WE WILL:*

- develop and maintain a culture where learning remains our first priority
- advocate and practice true accountability based on measurement of individual student progress over time, regardless of external mandates
- cultivate a consistent, strong, district-wide balanced curriculum based on ongoing needs assessments supporting all students
- establish high expectations with a curriculum fostering inquiry, critical thinking, civic responsibility and exemplary citizenship
- cultivate a network of professional learning communities addressing the educational needs of every child in our district
- incorporate best practices into teaching, learning, technology and leadership
- foster and support an advanced digital learning environment
- establish goals for individual campuses that incorporate both measurable and intangible factors

## **Culture & Climate**

### ***IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE, WE WILL:***

- honor the dedication and professionalism of all staff
- celebrate, respect, and promote the value of diversity in our Denton ISD Community
- support a working environment ensuring open and transparent communication
- establish high expectations for success
- instill in students a love of lifelong learning
- foster a positive, welcoming environment encouraging parent and community partnerships
- promote health, wellness and emotional well-being
- effectively communicate achievements and recognitions to the Denton ISD community

## **Growth & Management**

### ***IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE, WE WILL:***

- remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus
- work with the community in planning and facility development
- utilize citizens' advisory committees to focus on short and long-term task
- adjust policies and procedures to address rapid growth and changing demographics, nurturing our strong sense of community
- demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources
- provide leadership and/or oversight to ensure District meets all fiscal, legal and regulatory requirements
- encourage teachers and staff to pursue advanced degrees
- pursue energy efficiency and conservation principles
- develop a budget focused on student and professional learning
- maintain a diverse workforce

## **Opportunities for Students**

### ***IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE, WE WILL:***

- support college, career, military and life readiness
- engage students in extracurricular clubs and organizations
- Advocate for public education across the state and nation
- develop academic skills and interpersonal relationships necessary for student success in college, the workplace and for life

## **PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:**

The most recent board action for a low attendance days waiver was for the 2022-2023 school year. June 13, 2023, the board approved this request.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The ADA/ADM Statistics Report for the above referenced campuses reflects the average daily attendance rates for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years.

## **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:**

No additional significant issues to report other than those reflected in the summary of this consent agenda item.

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Consideration of the low attendance rate recognized on dates provided above in the summary of ADA percentages, may have a fiscal impact if the waiver is not submitted allowing the average daily attendance of these days to be calculated as an instruction day in ADA and FSP funding calculations.

## **BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

Approval of this action allows the district to submit a low attendance day waiver for the dates referenced in the summary of ADA percentages, to excuse these days from instructional days in calculating ADA and FSP funding.

## **PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

Texas Education Agency will process the formal request as approved by the Denton ISD Board of Trustees.

**PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:**

None

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Without consent of approval to submit the low attendance day for the above referenced campuses, the average daily attendance for these days will be used in determining ADA and FSP funding calculations without consideration of the low attendance days.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:**

The Superintendent recommends the Board approves the low attendance day waiver request to be submitted for consideration to the Texas Education Agency.

**STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

Charlene Parham, Area Superintendent for Academic Programs

Lesli Guajardo, Director of Student Support Services

**ATTACHMENTS:**

ADA/ADM Statistics Reports for all schools submitted for low attendance waivers; 2023-2024 EOY District Summary Report; various documentation for three requested low attendance days waivers

**APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: Charlene Parham and Lesli Guajardo

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Board President: \_\_\_\_\_