

**Executive Summary**  
**Prepared for Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**January 13, 2009**

**SACS District-wide Accreditation**

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**Purpose of Report**

The purpose of the workshop is to request that the board considers district wide Accreditation approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. This approval would entail a site-visit from SACS in the Fall of 2009. (See attachments)

The District has completed a readiness visit from the state director and an orientation has been provided to Principal and Central staff.

**Objectives**

- To determine if standards for accreditation are being met.
- To obtain District-wide Accreditation Status.
- To become one of a few districts in the State which have obtained District-wide Accreditation Status.

**Operational Impact**

Will require one site visit every five years to maintain district-wide status for all schools rather than two visits currently scheduled for elementary and secondary campuses.

**Results**

- Reduces costs for site visits.
- Gains District-wide Accreditation Status for Denton ISD

**Other Options**

Continue with current accreditation program and continue to add schools as they are opened.

**Attachments**

Readiness Letter to Dr. Elgart  
Readiness Report for Denton ISD  
Board Approval Letter and proposed date of visit