

Pasadena Independent School District
Alternative Standard for HB3

The Board of Trustees, having claimed a good cause exception, has developed this alternative standard with which the district is able to comply, in accordance with Sections 37.0814(d) and (e) of the Texas Education Code.

Sec. 37.0814. ARMED SECURITY OFFICER REQUIRED.

d) The board of trustees of a school district that claims a good cause exception under Subsection (c) must develop an alternative standard with which the district is able to comply, which may include providing a person to act as a security officer who is:

(1) a school marshal; or

(2) a school district employee or a person with whom the district contracts who:

(A) has completed school safety training provided by a qualified handgun instructor certified in school safety under Section 411.1901, Government Code; and

(B) carries a handgun on school premises in accordance with written regulations or written authorization of the district under Section 46.03(a)(1)(A), Penal Code.

(e) The board of trustees of a school district must develop and maintain documentation of the district's implementation of and compliance with this section, including documentation related to a good cause exception claimed under Subsection (c), and shall, if requested by the agency, provide that documentation to the agency in the manner prescribed by the agency.

1. We will hire police officers to staff all PISD schools. Our goal is to hire 3-5 police officers each year until fully staffed. Currently have 3 openings.
2. We will contract with retired police officers to work as School Guardians to increase school safety while recruiting, hiring, and training qualified police officers. We have hired 36 Guardians- currently covering all Elementary Campuses.