

Manor ISD Strategic Plan Aligned Legislative Priorities

Academic Achievement

Manor ISD calls upon the Texas Legislature to require that the State Board of Education streamline the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills to limit standards for each subject at each grade level to what can be taught prior to state-mandated tests within the given school year.

Manor ISD advocates for adequate funding to provide students more robust college and career counseling by reducing the counselor-to-student ratio as well as prioritizing student mental health.

Manor ISD advocates for increased funding for the Technology and Instructional Materials Allotment.

Communication

Manor ISD calls upon the Texas Legislature to allow school district bond and voter-approved tax ratification propositions to include ballot language that accurately informs voters of what the measure seeks to accomplish.

Community and Family Engagement

Manor ISD advocates for the continued funding of public education for all children living in the state regardless of immigration status.

Equity and Innovation

Manor ISD advocates for legislation that eliminates the exemption for charter schools to exclude students with disciplinary histories, students with disabilities, and special population students.

Manor ISD advocates for full funding for statewide, universal, high-quality, full-day prekindergarten programs to include transportation, facilities, and strengthen mixed delivery programs made in partnership with public school districts for pre-K 3 and pre-K 4.

Manor ISD advocates for increasing special education funding at the state level and fully funding and modernizing the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) at the federal level.

Facilities and Maintenance

Manor ISD advocates for additional resources for school security and student safety to fully fund mandates from the Texas legislature.

Manor ISD supports increased funding for expanded broadband access through the Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) which provides help to connect students with high speed internet at home enhancing their educational experiences.

Staff Development and Retention

Manor ISD calls upon the Texas Legislature to increase the basic allotment; to supplement — not supplant — state funding with local or federal dollars; and to update the school finance system to include enrollment-based funding; adjustments for inflation, student education, teacher compensation, and other costs outside of district control; consideration of regional cost differences; and accurate funding weights. Additionally, we recommend that the Texas Legislature oppose any and all attempts through efforts of policy or legislation to divert public funding toward private or non-public education institutions.