



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Discussion and Consideration of Low Attendance Waivers-Remote Conferencing for May 24, 2023

SUBMITTED BY: Laida P. Benavides, CPA **OF:** Chief Finance Office

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: June 21, 2023

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Board of Trustees approve the Low Attendance Waivers for several campuses for May 24, 2023 due to safety issues.

On the one year anniversary of the Uvalde Tragedy, many parents in our community decided to not send their child(ren) to school. Many news stories had been in the media leading up to the one-year anniversary, which we feel may have caused some safety concerns among our parents and students.

See attached list of low attendance waivers for 5-24-23 for various campuses.

RATIONALE:

For a day when school was held and the district had at least one student present in remote conferencing (as defined by SAAH 12.3.1 and 12.3.2) at the district (if a district-wide request) **or applicable campus** (if a campus-level request) but **attendance was at least 5 percentage points** below the overall average attendance rate for the district **or the applicable campus for the prior year because of issues related to weather, health, or safety**, the district may apply for a waiver to have the day excluded from ADA and FSP funding calculations.

The Admissions Department has supporting documentation to provide to TEA to request these waivers, if approved.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION: N/A

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE: Board Policy: FEB Attendance Accounting and BF Board Policies