

CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT OF TAYLOR COUNTY

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September 24, 2025

Mr. Joey Light
Wylie ISD Superintendent
6251 Buffalo Gap RD
Abilene, TX 79606

Your taxing unit participates in selecting members of the Taylor County Appraisal District Board of Directors (the Board). The Board comprises five members representing the interests of entities with property value within the boundaries of Taylor County. This document outlines the procedures for selecting directors for a term that commences on January 1, 2026.

Your tax unit may nominate one or more candidates for the Board's directorship. For the past year, the following member represented your taxing entity on the Appraisal District Board of Directors:

- Your current representative, **Cecil Davis**, a retired school superintendent, is willing to run for re-election. The renewal of your current representative will bring experience and stability to the Board.

Please nominate **by resolution**, adopted by your governing body in regular session, a candidate for the Board of Directors and return to me via email, fax, or mail.

As state law requires, the taxing unit must submit the nominee's name to the chief appraiser of the Taylor County Appraisal District before October 15, 2025.

Sincerely yours,

Gary Earnest, RPA, RTA, CTA, CCA
Chief Executive Officer
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Encl.: Eligibility Requirements, Selection Procedures, Resolution, and Voting Allocation

Eligibility Requirements

An individual must satisfy specific residency, employment, and conflict-of-interest requirements to be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors:

- **Residency:** The candidate must be a resident of Taylor County and have resided in the county for at least two years immediately preceding the date they take office. The appraisal district's boundaries are the same as those for Taylor County.
- **Employment:** An individual is *ineligible* to serve on an appraisal district board of directors if the individual has engaged in the business of appraising property for compensation for use in proceedings under this title or of representing property owners for compensation in proceedings under this title in the appraisal district at any time during the preceding five years.
- **Conflict-of-interest:** A candidate may not serve if the candidate is related to a person in the business of appraising property or representing property owners for a fee in proceedings in the appraisal district. Relatives are barred within the second degree by consanguinity (blood) or affinity (marriage). These persons include spouse, children, brothers, and sisters; parents, grandparents, and grandchildren. The spouse's relatives in the same degree are included.

The appraisal district may not employ anyone related to an appraisal district director within the second degree by affinity or the third degree of consanguinity. This provision applies to existing employees when the director takes office and to employees hired during the director's term.

- **Delinquent taxes:** Texas law makes a person ineligible to serve as an appraisal district director if they have delinquent property taxes owing to any taxing unit 60 days after the person knew or should have known of the delinquency.

Selection Procedures

The procedures and timeline for selecting members of the Board of Directors:

- **Nomination**
Each taxing entity has the right to nominate a candidate for the Board. The governing body must adopt a resolution designating the candidate by formal action and submit the nominee's name to the chief appraiser of the Taylor County Appraisal District before **OCTOBER 15**.
- **Election**
Before **November 1**, the chief appraiser will prepare a ballot listing the nominees alphabetically. The chief appraiser will deliver a copy of the ballot to each taxing unit.

Before **December 15**, each taxing unit must vote for a nominee, formally adopt a resolution naming the person for whom it votes, and submit a certified copy to the chief appraiser. Ballots received by the chief appraiser after December 15 may not be counted.

Before **December 20**, the chief appraiser will count the votes, declare the results, and notify the winner, the nominees, and the managers of the taxing entity. A tie vote will be resolved by a method of chance chosen by the chief appraiser.

CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT OF TAYLOR COUNTY**2025 VOTING ALLOCATIONS**

TAX UNIT	2024 LEVY IN TAYLOR	PERCENT OF LEVY	VOTES PER TAX UNIT
TAYLOR COUNTY	72,792,416.03	27.69%	1385
CITY OF ABILENE	71,154,968.39	27.07%	1354
CITY OF BUFFALO GAP	208,068.89	0.08%	4
CITY OF LAWN	44,402.31	0.02%	1
CITY OF MERKEL	846,721.33	0.32%	16
CITY OF TRENT	20,376.91	0.01%	0
CITY OF TUSCOLA	218,165.78	0.08%	4
CITY OF TYE	716,147.69	0.27%	14
AISD	58,683,575.63	22.33%	1116
EULA ISD	6,149,532.63	2.34%	117
JIM NED CISD	9,360,976.50	3.56%	178
MERKEL ISD	4,943,902.61	1.88%	94
TRENT ISD	2,502,762.84	0.95%	48
WYLIE ISD	33,730,920.96	12.83%	642
BLACKWELL ISD	1,027,070.64	0.39%	20
CLYDE ISD	334,327.56	0.13%	6
WINTERS ISD	111,510.91	0.04%	2
TOTAL =	\$262,845,847.61	100.00%	5000

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE WYLIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NOMINATING A CANDIDATE FOR A POSITION ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TAYLOR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the governing body within the Taylor County Appraisal District has the right and responsibility to elect a person to the board of directors of the Taylor County Appraisal District;

AND WHEREAS, this governing body desires to exercise its right to nominate a candidate for such position on said board of directors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE WYLIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

SECTION 1: the facts and recitations outlined in the preamble of this resolution be, and they are hereby adopted, ratified, and confirmed.

SECTION 2: CECIL DAVIS is hereby nominated as a candidate for a position on the Taylor County Appraisal District board to be filled for a three-year term of office commencing on January 1, 2026.

SECTION 3: The presiding officer of the governing body of this taxing unit is hereby authorized and directed to deliver or cause to be delivered a certified copy of this resolution to the chief appraiser of the Taylor County Appraisal District before October 15, 2025.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ATTEST:

SECRETARY, BOARD OF TRUSTEES