

# Spring Branch Independent School District

## Agenda Item Information

**Date of Board Meeting:** May 12, 2025

**Subject:** Request for Approval of the 2025-2026 Spring Branch ISD Concussion Oversight Team Membership and the Concussion Management Protocol Handbook

**Administrator Responsible:**

**Name:** Karen Heeth

**Position:** Associate Superintendent for Administration and Talent

**Purpose of Agenda Item:** Action

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND/OR BACK-UP:**

Texas H.B. 2038, relating to prevention, treatment, and oversight of concussions affecting public school students participating in interscholastic athletics, signed into law on June 17, 2011, requires that

(a) The governing body of each school district and open-enrollment charter school with students enrolled who participate in an interscholastic athletic activity shall appoint or approve a concussion oversight team.

(b) Each concussion oversight team shall establish a return-to-play protocol, based on peer-reviewed scientific evidence, for a student's return to interscholastic athletics practice or competition following the force or impact believed to have caused a concussion.

The law details the composition of the concussion oversight team. Each concussion oversight team must include at least one physician and, to the greatest extent practicable, considering factors including the population of the metropolitan statistical area in which the school district or open-enrollment charter school is located, district or charter school student enrollment, and the availability of and access to license health care professionals in the district or charter school area, must also include one or more of the following:

- (1) an athletic trainer;
- (2) an advanced practice nurse;
- (3) a neuropsychologist; or
- (4) a physician assistant.

If a school district or open-enrollment charter school employs an athletic trainer, the athletic trainer must be a member of the district or charter school concussion oversight team.

Each member of the concussion oversight team must have had training in the evaluation, treatment, and oversight of concussions at the time of appointment or approval as a member of the team.

**Additional Information Provided:**

1. H.B. No. 2038 Bill text
2. Names & positions of those serving on the Concussion Oversight Team