



To: Board of Trustees
From: Mary Kemper, Executive Director of Instructional Leadership
Date: August 22, 2022
cc: Dr. Brad Hunt, Dr. Angie Brooks, Ms. Kristen Eichel

RE: Waiver for Foreign Exchange Students

Background:

Coppell ISD, on behalf of Coppell High School (CHS), Coppell High School Ninth Grade Campus (CHS9), and New Tech High @ Coppell (NTH@C) is requesting to apply for a Foreign Exchange Student Waiver as allowed by TEC 25.001(e). We are requesting to limit the number of foreign exchange students allowed to enroll at CHS/CHS9 and NTH@C for the 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025 school years to three learners. (For the purposes of this waiver as with accountability measures and other state data collection purposes, CHS and CHS9 are considered one campus.)

Requesting this waiver is in alignment with our CISD District Improvement Plan Goal 1, Performance Objective 1. The ability to predict with certainty the number of foreign exchange students at our high school campuses will allow us to utilize the human, physical, and instructional resources we have (or will purchase) to provide high quality Tier I Instruction that is aligned to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). In addition, this request is in alignment with our CISD District Improvement Plan Goal 1, Performance Objective 2, with the anticipation of the number of foreign exchange students considered as we work to analyze data and respond to the needs of all learners through Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS).

Recommendation:

We recommend the CISD Board of Trustees approve our request to apply for a Foreign Exchange Student Waiver as allowed by TEC 25.001(e) in order to limit the number of foreign exchange students to three at each of our high schools.