

Coppell ISD 2023 Legislative Advocacy Resolutions for the Texas Association of School Boards Consideration for the TASB 2022-2024 Advocacy Agenda

1. Increase Basic Allotment

CISD asks that TASB call upon the Texas Legislature to increase the basic allotment in order to help Texas teachers deliver quality education to children by continuing to increase teacher compensation and increase funding to keep up with the additional inflationary pressures in public schools.

2. Bridge the Gap with Extra Supplement SSI and ESSER Funding

CISD asks that TASB call upon the Texas Legislature to continue to bridge the gap with Extra Supplement SSI and ESSER Funding for school districts that receive little to no funding for these programs and still must address students' needs.

3. Reinstate the Cost of Education Index

CISD asks that TASB call upon the Texas Legislature to consider reinstating the Cost of Education Index to help school districts in major metropolitan areas deal with the increased costs of educating children, including addressing teacher compensation and how inflation is affecting the cost of education.

4. Increase Special Education Funding

CISD asks that TASB call upon the Texas Legislature to increase funding for special education students, including adding funding for diagnostic services, to address the actual cost of special education services versus the funding received from the state.

5. Discontinue Charter School Expansion

CISD asks that TASB call upon the Texas Legislature to discontinue charter school expansion that impacts school districts that have an "A" or "B" rating from the state, as well as discontinue the funding advantage to charter schools and require the same enrollment and disciplinary rules as traditional public schools; empower the State Board of Education or local school boards to oversee charter school expansion to ensure public input and spending efficiency; pause the expansion of charters until they receive the same funding as traditional schools and are serving a population of students who are representative of the community in which they are located.

6. Mental Health of Students, Teachers and Staff

CISD asks that TASB call upon the Texas Legislature to continue to focus on addressing the mental health/social and emotional needs of the students, teachers and staff in the state of Texas, and to take its commitment one step further by providing the necessary funding for the tools and programs the Texas Legislature mandates for school districts to address the mental health/social and emotional needs of students, teachers and staff.

