

**MEETING DATE:** December 18, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Off-Campus PE Site

**PRESENTER:** Scott Kessel. Executive Director of Student Services

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

 Section 28.002 of the Texas Education Code includes Physical Education as a requirement of the enrichment curriculum to be provided in public schools in Texas

- Students are required to take four semesters of Physical Education between grades 6 8 and can take more if they choose to. Students are required to earn 1 high school credit of Physical Education, or have an allowable substitution, to satisfy graduation requirements and can earn up to 4 credits if they choose to.
- Section 103.1003 of the Texas Administrative Code states, "A school district or open-enrollment charter school may allow an exemption [to the Physical education requirement] for a student on a middle or junior high school campus participating in a school-related activity or an activity sponsored by a private league or club."
- Additionally, Section 74.12 of the Texas Administrative Code states that credit for high school Physical Education courses may be earned through, "appropriate private or commercially sponsored physical activity programs conducted on or off campus."
- Locally, these exemptions to taking Physical Education courses off campus are deemed as Off-Campus PE.
- Off-Campus PE opportunities are available to students in grades 6 − 12.
- The following sites were approved for use by students for Off-Campus PE in the 2023-2024 school year on August 21, 2023:
  - Sonny James Ranch (Equestrian)
  - Aledo Academy of Ballet (Dance)
  - Aledo Martial Arts (Karate)
  - Curragh Equestrian Center (Equestrian)
  - Maverick All Stars (Gymnastics)
  - The Rock of Sports and Performing Arts (Gymnastics)
- The following additional site is requested for use for Off-Campus PE in spring semester of the 2023-2024 school year:
  - Tishman Performance Horses (Equestrian)

## **ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS:**

None

## **FISCAL NOTE:**

None

## **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

Administration recommends the approval of the additional site listed above for Off-Campus PE as presented.