



Decatur Independent School District

Board of Trustees Agenda Item

To: Board of Trustees
From: Taylor Williams
Subject: Homeschool Participation: Non-Enrolled student's participation in UIL activities
Meeting Date: August 18, 2025

Type of Item: ☐ Information ☐ Presentation ☐ Consent Agenda ☐ Discussion ☒ Action

Supporting Documents: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Background Information and Rational:

SB 401 – UIL Participation for Non-Enrolled (Homeschool) Students

- Beginning in the **2025-26 school year**, homeschool students are **automatically eligible** to participate in UIL activities at the school they would attend based on residence—**unless the district's Board adopts a policy to opt out**.
- The **opt-out deadline** for the upcoming school year is **September 1, 2025**; in future years, districts must act by **August 1** for status changes.
- If the zoned campus opts out, homeschool students may join UIL activities at the **closest campus** that permits their participation

Support of Strategic Goals: DISD supports students in a multitude of ways to nurture learning and ensure high performance.

Fiscal Implication: None

Administrative Recommendation: Adopt or decline the opt-out policy by the September 1, 2025 deadline.
(Homeschool students eligible for UIL unless district opts out by Sept 1, 2025)

Contact Person(s): Taylor Williams

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Taylor Williams'.

Taylor Williams