Federal/Special Programs Department

2025 May School Board Meeting Overview

Grant Programs

• 2025-2026 tentative budget planning (planning amounts will be released later than is typical because of changes in the Department of Education at the Federal level); HISD will apply for the following Federal Grants:

o ESSA: includes Title I, Title II, Title III, and Title IV

CTE: PerkinsSpEd: IDEA-B

 Campuses are wrapping up funds to stay in compliance with spending thresholds for the fiscal year

Emergent Bilingual

- Summer learning 2025 is being planned. We do not have enough students enrolled for the required 120 T.E.A. hours, but we are still planning to offer summer learning for current PK-4 students that signed up.
- The E.B. team met May 13th to review end of year data and to group students for services next year based on that data.
- TELPAS results will be available to the district at the end of May.

Gifted & Talented

- GT certified teachers are able to begin their 6-Hour Update training through Responsive Learning, as well as summer conferences they are choosing to attend.
- A total of 32 2nd-9th grade students were identified to receive G/T services. We will have 377 students being served in the 2025-26 school year.

Community: Backpack Program/Homeless/At-Risk

- Our last backpack delivery of the year will be May 16th.
- The Hallsville Summer Reading Program will begin June 3rd and will run every week except the week of July 4th.
- Planning is underway for our August 5th "Back to School Bash". This event will offer a host of community resources, an immunization clinic, free haircuts, fun activities for families, and free shoes for those that apply.

Counselors

- Counselors will meet throughout May to discuss students that will be transitioning campuses.
- Counselors are working on 25-26 schedules and assisting principals in planning for summer learning.

DEIC

• Committee will meet again once STAAR data is returned from the T.E.A. This will help solidify goals for 2025-2026.

Health Services

• Nurses are planning immunization clinics to coincide with registration dates, CPR for required employees, and CPR for graduating seniors.