

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE LEWISVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, On June 10, 2024, the Lewisville Independent School District (“LISD”) Board of Trustees adopted by a vote of the majority of members of the Board of Trustees the following advocacy priority:

“to increase the basic allotment; to supplement – not supplant – state funding with local or federal dollars; and to update the school finance system to include enrollment-based funding; adjustments for inflation, student education, teacher compensation, and other costs outside of district control; consideration of regional cost differences; and accurate funding weights.”

WHEREAS, the LISD Board of Trustees maintains that for the 89th Legislative Session the legislative priority, as stated above, represents One Ask. One Action.; and

WHEREAS, the LISD Board of Trustees is significantly aware of the extensive state funding gaps in key district programs and required initiatives, specifically as listed within this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the LISD Board of Trustees states funding gaps regarding Special Education are demonstrated as follows:

- The difference between LISD Special Education expenditures and State funding demonstrate a shortfall of approximately ***\$12,000,000 per year***.

WHEREAS, the LISD Board of Trustees states funding gaps regarding Transportation are demonstrated as follows:

- McKinney-Vento legislation increases the district’s bus needs without financial assistance from the legislature equating to approximately ***\$1,130,000 per year***.

WHEREAS, the LISD Board of Trustees states funding gaps regarding Safety and Security are demonstrated as follows:

- House Bill 3 legislation increases the district’s safety requirement and provides an additional school safety allotment of 28 cents per student to bring the overall funding to \$10 per student with an additional \$15,000 per campus. This allots a total amount of state funding for safety and security measures to \$1,367,315 for LISD.

- This amount does not begin to cover the District’s previous safety expenditures of \$3,281,789 for School Resource Officers and Elementary Rovers and now additional \$3,000,000 spent to hire, equip and train 55 LISD Guardians to comply with House Bill 3 legislation.
- The difference between LISD Safety expenditures and State funding demonstrate a shortfall of approximately **\$5,000,000 per year**.

WHEREAS, the LISD Board of Trustees states funding gaps regarding Pre-K are demonstrated as follows:

- Full Day Pre-K under House Bill 3 legislation maintains only .5 funding per student meaning the district is required to provide matching student funding to reach full day WADA.
- The difference between LISD Pre-K expenditures and State funding demonstrate a shortfall of between **\$3,800,000 and \$4,300,000 per year**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

The LISD Board of Trustees have One Ask and One Action for the 89th Legislative Session:

“to increase the basic allotment; to supplement – not supplant – state funding with local or federal dollars; and to update the school finance system to include enrollment-based funding; adjustments for inflation, student education, teacher compensation, and other costs outside of district control; consideration of regional cost differences; and accurate funding weights.”

Therefore, the LISD Board of Trustees adopted by the vote ____ **for** and ____ **abstention** to adopt this Legislative Advocacy Resolution.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Board President

Board Secretary