

GRANT AGENDA ITEM:

BOARD MEETING DATE:
December 15, 2025

Title:	Project Lead the Way Engineering Grant for Memorial High
Administration Recommendation:	It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the acceptance of this Engineering Grant award for the 2026-2027 school year for Memorial High School from Project Lead the Way in partnership with Exxon Mobile for \$10,000.
Authority for this action:	Policy CDC (LOCAL)-X states that any gift with a cost or market value of \$5,000 or more, any gift that the potential donor has expressly made conditional upon the district's use for a specified purpose, or any gift of real property, shall require Board approval.
Plan addressed:	During the 2025-2026 academic year, there was a wait list of at least 30 students who were unable to be placed in an engineering course. During the 2026-2027 academic year, we would like to expand the program with at least one additional section of Introduction to Engineering Design (IED) and one for Principles of Engineering (POE). The expansion requires two full-time teachers and additional equipment and supplies.
Background:	Memorial High School currently has a PLTW Engineering program offering four PLTW courses: IED, POE, Aerospace Engineering (AE), and Engineering Design and Development (EDD).
Impact of this action:	If the grant award is approved, SBISD will implement the plan. If the grant award is not approved, the Principal of Memorial High School will evaluate other funding options.
Budget information:	The Director for Career and Technical Education will be the budget manager for this grant award. Plans are to spend the grant award on additional equipment such as 3D printers and VEX robotics kits plus consumable materials for hands-on learning.
Monitoring and reporting timeline:	The Director of Grants will submit the Annual Grant Financial Reports. A STEM CTE Facilitator will monitor the expansion of this program and gather information for the final annual grant reports and submit it. The reports are due April 15.
Resource personnel:	Annie Wolfe, Ed.D, Associate Superintendent for Academics Christina Rice-Imumwen, Career & Technical Education, Director Lisa Weir, Memorial High School, Principal Julie Hodson, Grants, Director
Attachment:	None

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Title:	Project Lead the Way Launch Grant Award for Westwood Elementary School
Administration Recommendation:	It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the acceptance of this \$5,000 grant award for the 2026-2027 school year for Westwood Elementary School from Project Lead the Way in partnership with Chevron Houston.
Authority for this action:	Policy CDC (LOCAL) – X states that any gift with a cost or market value of \$5,000 or more, any gift that the potential donor has expressly made conditional upon the District's use for a specified purpose, or any gift of real property, shall require Board approval.
Plan addressed:	The purpose of the grant is to sustain and expand our Project Lead the Way STEM program by providing training for new teachers joining our campus, ensuring consistent and high-quality delivery of PLTW's project-based learning curriculum, and purchasing updated PLTW materials, kits, and technology resources needed for hand-on STEM learning experiences.
Background:	In September 2023, the Board approved PLTW Launch grant #1 for on-line PLTW Launch teacher course fees and grant #2 in partnership with Chevron Houston for PLTW Launch supplies for Westwood in the 2023-2024 school year. Another PLTW grant was approved in February 2024 to assist Westwood's expansion of student access to the Project Lead the Way Launch Program.
Impact of this action:	If the grant award is approved, SBISD will implement the plan. If the grant award is not approved, the Principal of Westwood Elementary will evaluate funding options.
Budget information:	The Principal of Westwood Elementary will be the budget manager for this \$5,000 PLTW grant award in partnership with Chevron Houston grant award for the 2026-2027 school year.
Monitoring and reporting timeline:	The Principal for Westwood Elementary School will monitor the launch and success of this new program. She will submit the Annual Grant Reports. The Director of Grants will submit the Annual Grant Financial Report. Both reports are due April 15.
Resource personnel:	Annie Wolfe, Ed.D, Associate Superintendent for Academics Criselda Chavez, Westwood Elementary, Principal Julie Hodson, Director for Grants
Attachment:	None