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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Members of the Board of Trustees  
**From:** Jesus Martinez, Executive Director of Support Services  
**Subject:** School Safety Standards Grant and Safety and Facilities Enhancement Grant (Cycle 2)  
Update  
**Date:** April 9, 2025

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**HISTORY:** The Texas Education Agency (TEA) announced the School Safety Standards grant on January 2023 and then later, the Safety and Facilities Enhancement Grant (SAFE) in April 2024. The district applied for both grants and received notices of grant awards. \$218,995 was awarded for the School Safety Standards Grant and \$172,736 for the SAFE grant. A total of \$391,731 dollars.

The grants required the district to spend the money on items to meet minimum safety standards first, as determined by the adopted 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 61, School Districts, Subchapter CC, Commissioner's Rules Concerning School Facilities, §61.1031, School Safety Requirements, also known as the School Safety Standards, to provide a minimum safety standard for educational facilities throughout the state of Texas.

**RATIONALE:** The district has met the grant requirements and is on the lookout for additional opportunities for grant funding. Once the minimum safety standards were met, the district was allowed to spend the money on other safety and security aligned expenses or risk losing the money back to the state. The district has taken advantage of the funding and is on track to spend the money awarded. The districtwide grant expenditures included fencing upgrades, exterior door replacements, entry resistant film on glassed exterior doors, entry resistant film on windows, master key boxes, campus mapping, and secured perimeter fencing within boundary fencing (GEMS and Alarcon).

**BUDGET:** No budget impact, the funds \$391,731 came from both grants.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:** For information only

**For Approval?** ☐ Yes ☒ No

**If no, please check one:** ☐ Presentation ☒ Report ☐ Information

**Please check if applicable:** ☐ Attachment Included

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