

AGENDA

Item

GOAL:

OBJECTIVE:

SUBJECT:

2025-2026 Waiver of Out-of-District Tuition

RATIONALE:

Huntsville ISD is entering its twenieth consecutive year of offering a tuition waiver for out-of-district students. This initiative was originally implemented to address declining student enrollment. Since its inception, the policy has proven effective, increasing enrollment from approximately 20 students to over 100 students projected for the 2025–2026 school year.

Under the state’s current school finance system, funding is determined by average daily attendance (ADA) rather than student residency. As such, the district receives state revenue of approximately \$6,215 per student, even though no tuition or local tax revenue is collected from out-of-district enrollees.

All existing policies and legal requirements continue to apply to out-of-district students, including provisions that allow the district to deny applications or revoke enrollment due to disciplinary infractions, attendance issues, or other policy violations.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the continuation of the tuition waiver for out-of-district students for the 2025–2026 school year.

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