



## Hallsville ISD Department of Special Education

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### Update for June School Board meeting:

- 1.) Updated numbers for comparison 2023/24 and 2024/25 school year. Let's start with initial referrals and transfer student totals.

**Initial referral:** this occurs when a student is NOT in special education yet and is referred for testing.

**Transfer student:** this occurs when a student is *already in special education* and moves to HISD from another district already identified for Special Ed services.

CAMPUS	STATUS	2023/2024	2024/2025
EAST	Initial Referral	71	37
WEST	Initial Referral	71	60
NORTH	Initial Referral	49	57
INTERMEDIATE	Initial Referral	17	28
JUNIOR HIGH	Initial Referral	4	7
HIGH SCHOOL	Initial Referral	6	6
TOTAL		218	195

**Transfer students:**

SCHOOL YEAR	TOTAL
2023/2024	59
2024/2025	101

**Takeaways:** BIG win for our campus MTSS teams and the SIT process we put in place several years ago. The referrals are coming down! 23 less initial referrals this school year!

We had almost double the amount of transfer students move into HISD. That is a lot of new special ed students to gain!

A focus moving into next year-a better procedure for Autism evaluations. We had 43 referrals for Autism evaluations, only 22 of those referred for testing qualified for services. That is a lot of time spent on evaluating students who do not require special education services.

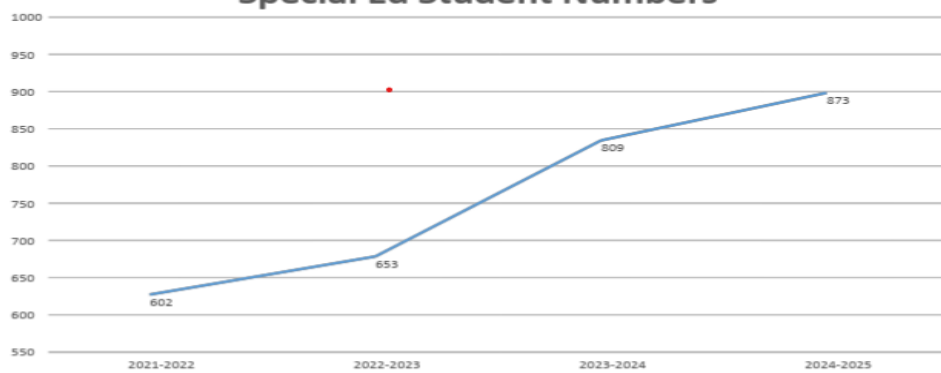
- 2.) Our total special education numbers grew by 64 students this year. It seems as if we are slowing down on overall growth. We moved over 300 students from 504 to Special Education over the last 2 years due to the new Dyslexia requirements. Considering those numbers along with the transfer student numbers, I would say we are making good strides with our SIT and MTSS teams.



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