Executive Summary
Prepared for Board of Trustees Meeting
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Security Audit Report

Board Goal: **(III.b) Climate…In pursuit of excellence, the district will promote and nourish a safe learning and working environment which is supportive, cooperative, and ensures open communication.**

Purpose of Report - to meet the mandate from Senate Bill 11 below:

37.108(c), Education Code, to require a school district to report the results of security audits to the Texas School Safety Center in addition to the district's board of trustees. (Sections 3.02 and 3.04 of SB 11- 80r.)

Objectives
- meet the requirements of Senate Bill 11
- inform the board of audit process and outcomes
- offer district-wide recommendations for addressing concerns noted from audits

Operational Impact
It will take several years' process in planning, budgeting and implementation phases to address all the safety and security concerns noted in the security audits. Some aspects (training, minor repairs) can be incorporated into the existing budget for this year, either by the campus or at the district level. Others will require a long-term, multi-disciplinary approach to address the needs (new building plans, renovation considerations). Budgetary considerations will have to be made in advance of new fiscal years, and some concerns may be addressed with bond appropriations. Architects, building administrators, district planners and other department administrators, operations, human resources, business office personnel, local emergency responders and others will play key roles in effecting the changes to be made.

Results
The eventual expected outcome of addressing the concerns identified in our security audits is a safer school environment, providing a sense of security among our students, staff, parents and community that we are doing all we can to provide an excellent learning environment in DISD.

Other Options We can do "audits in name only" to meet the mandate without the effort to rectify the concerns – not a good option.