

HAYS CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: June 24, 2025

Agenda Item: K.2a

Board Goal: Student Achievement

Subject: Consideration and possible approval of the Administration of Advanced Placement Exams – The College Board

Administrator Responsible/Position: Marivel Sedillo, Deputy Superintendent / Chief Academic Officer
Joy Philpott, Director of Advanced Academics

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

☒ Action needed

☐ Information only

☐ Receive input

B. Authority for This Action:

☐ Local Policy:

☐ Law or Rule

☒ N/A

C. Goal or Need Addressed: Allow Hays CISD students to gain college credits through Advanced Placement exams taken in May of 2025

D. Summary:

☒ **Previous board action relating to this item:** The Board approved AP exam procurement in May of 2024

☒ **Future action anticipated:** We anticipate continuing to administer AP exams to students in coming years

☒ **Background information:** Hays High School ordered 1,020 examinations, Lehman High School ordered 621 examinations, and Johnson High School ordered 1,418 examinations. The cost to Hays CISD for each College Board AP exam is \$90 before any fee reductions are applied.

The final bill received from College Board will reflect the number of exams actually taken by students as well as fee reductions applied.

While Hays CISD pays College Board for the AP exams, the cost is also offset by students paying a portion of the cost.

E. Comments Received:

☒ Cabinet

☐ DLT

☐ FBOC

☐ Teacher Org. Reps.

☒ **Other:** No comments received as this is an ongoing practice to administer these exams

F. Administrative Recommendation: The administration recommends approval of procuring AP examinations that will be administered to Hays CISD high school students through College Board.

Advantages and benefits of this proposal: Accrual of college credits by Hays CISD students

Expected results in terms of student benefit/achievement: Students who score 3 or higher on exams have college credits in hand prior to matriculation in college

Effect of this action on other parts of the system: AP exam results are part of the CCMR portion of the state accountability system

Consequences of not approving this recommendation: Hays CISD will be in arrears on invoices from College Board

G. Fiscal Impact and Cost: \$241,276

☒ Budget ☐ Bond

☐ Grant/Special Funds:

☐ Other

☐ Budget Amendment Needed

Prior Year Spending: \$171,792

Bid/Contract Info: Sole source letter on file

Reasons for rejecting alternatives: Sole Source

Future/Ongoing: Annual

H. Monitoring and Reporting Time Line:

Person responsible for evaluating this decision or action: Joy Philpott

Evaluation method and time line: AP scores are posted in July at which time we compare to past performance and to state and global performance

Next report to the board: Board blog in September to include results of all college-aligned coursework and accrual of college credits

I. Suggested Motion:

I move that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the administration of advanced placement exams through The College Board for an amount not to exceed \$241,276, as presented.