# **Executive Summary**

## Board of Trustees Meeting March 29, 2022 2021 - 2022 ~ 4<sup>th</sup> Reporting Period Attendance Report

#### **Board Goals:**

### Domain 1 – Teaching & Learning

• establish high expectations with a curriculum fostering inquiry, critical thinking, civic responsibility and exemplary citizenship

#### Domain 2 – Culture & Climate

- foster a positive, welcoming environment encouraging parent and community partnerships
- promote health, wellness and emotional well-being

### Domain 3 – Growth & Management

• remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus

### Domain 4 – **Opportunities for Students**

• develop academic skills and interpersonal relationships necessary for student success in college, the workplace, and for life.

### **Purpose of Report:**

The purpose of this report is to provide campus and district ADA percentages for the 4<sup>th</sup> Reporting Period of the 2021-2022 school year (January 6, 2022 through February 17, 2022) and to compare this data to prior years. This report will also identify current truancy prevention measures being used on Denton ISD campuses to increase student attendance.

#### **Objective:**

The objective is to routinely analyze and monitor Denton ISD's attendance data with the goal of improving student attendance. By making this data readily accessible throughout the school year, the district will raise awareness of school attendance and monitor trends and changes across the district. The district will also provide transparent communication, training, and support; where needed, to improve student attendance in Denton ISD.

#### **Operational Impact:**

The analysis and monitoring of attendance data will increase the funding received from ADA, increase academic success and school completion, and support the district goal ensuring that all students are reading on grade level by the end of grade 3.

#### **Results:**

**NOTE:** School districts have reported to TEA that attendance rate declines continue to occur due to COVID during the spring semester. As a result, the TEA is exploring options to ensure school systems will not experience significant financial difficulties and the agency has temporarily closed the low attendance waiver. Please expect more on this at a future date.

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There are 28 instructional days in this 4<sup>th</sup> Reporting Period. The district ADA% for 2021-2022 Reporting Period 4 is 91.60%, this is a decrease from last school year when the ADA% was 96.97%.

Shultz had the highest attendance percentage for elementary campuses in Denton ISD at 94.73%. Harpool had the highest attendance percentage for middle school campuses in Denton ISD at 93.79%. Guyer had the highest attendance percentage for high school campuses in Denton ISD at 92.69%.

The previous school years' ADA percentages are below:

#### **Reporting Period 4 Comparisons**

| School Year | Attendance<br>Percentage |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| 2020-21     | 96.97%                   |
| 2019-20     | 95.79%                   |
| 2018-19     | 95.17%                   |
| 2017-18     | 94.0%                    |
| 2016-17     | 95.29%                   |
| 2015-16     | 95.47%                   |
| 2014-15     | 95.58%                   |
| 2013-14     | 94.99%                   |

 $5^{th}$  grade had the highest ADA% at 92.92%, followed by  $3^{rd}$  grade with 92.68%.  $12^{th}$  grade had the lowest ADA% at 89.16%, followed by  $10^{th}$  grade with 89.87%.

The truancy prevention measures used in Reporting Period 4 include, but are not limited to; automated phone calls, flyers, student and parent communications, warning letters (4,167) online truancy class referrals (4,160), Zoom truancy class referrals (1,999), counselor referrals (1,203), attendance contracts (2,443), campus interventions (1,610), home visits (64), truancy officer referrals (46), court referrals and court contempts (38). Denton ISD campuses have provided over **15,730** truancy prevention measures in this 4<sup>th</sup> Reporting Period.