

BY-LAWS OF
ECISD STUDENT HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

ARTICLE I
NAME, PURPOSE AND POWERS

Section 1.1 **Name.** The name of the Council shall be the “ECISD Student Health Advisory Council.”

Section 1.2 **Purpose.** The Council is established for the public purpose of recommending the following:

1. The number of hours of instruction to be provided in health education;
2. Curriculum appropriate for specific grade levels designed to prevent obesity, cardiovascular disease, and Type II Diabetes through coordination of health education, physical education and physical activity, nutrition services, parental involvement, and instruction to prevent the use of tobacco/drugs/alcohol, and instruction on human sexuality;
3. Appropriate grade levels and methods of instruction for human sexuality instruction; and
4. Strategies for integrating the curriculum components specified by item 2, above, with the following elements in a coordinated school health program:
 - a. School health services;
 - b. Counseling and guidance services;
 - c. A safe and healthy school environment; and
 - d. School employee wellness.

Section 1.3 **Powers.** The Council shall have the necessary authority to fulfill its purpose of submitting health curriculum recommendations to the Ector County Independent School District (ECISD) Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE II
COUNCIL

2.1 **Qualifications.** The Council shall be composed of eleven (11) members to be appointed or elected by the ECISD Board of Trustees, each of whom shall have voting power, and two (2) administration personnel appointed by the Superintendent, who shall serve in a non-voting capacity as resources to the Council. One of the duties of said support administrative personnel is to advise the Board at any time the composition of the Council is failing to meet the mandates of State law or District policy.

1. Each Board member shall appoint a member of the council who shall be a person who is a parent of a student enrolled in the District and who is not employed by the District (“Appointed Member”). During their term, should any Appointed Member become a nonresident of the District, fail to be a parent of a student enrolled in the District, or become an employee of the District, then that position

- shall be declared vacant and filled by the Board member position originally making the appointment.
2. Each Board member shall nominate one (1) individual to additionally serve on the Council. The Board shall vote on said nominees and the four (4) highest vote members will serve on the committee (“Elected Member”) with the three (3) next highest vote members serving as alternates (“Alternate Member”). Any Elected member vacancy shall be filled by the highest vote-getting Alternate Member. At such time (if any) that all Alternate Members have become Elected Members, the Board shall elect three (3) new Alternate Members from nominees submitted by each Board member.

Section 2.2 **Term.** After the adoption of these By-laws, a member shall serve a two-year term and may be eligible for re-appointment or re-election to serve additional terms.

Section 2.3 **Compensation.** Council shall not receive any salary or compensation for their services as members.

Section 2.4 **Ex Officio Members.** Former members of the Council may serve as ex officio and nonvoting members.

Section 2.5 **Resignations.** Any Council member may resign at any time. Such resignation shall be made in writing and shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if no time be specified, at the time of its receipt by the Chairperson.

ARTICLE III MEETINGS AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

Section 3.1 **Meetings.** The Council shall meet for an organizational meeting in August of each year. Meetings shall be conducted a minimum of three (3) times per school year, but may be held more frequently whenever called by the Chairperson, by the Secretary, or by a majority of the Council.

Section 3.2 **Notice.** Notice of the meetings shall be provided by the administrative personnel in writing or by telephone at least one week prior to the meeting.

Section 3.3 **Quorum.** A majority of the members with voting power shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting the business of the Council.

Section 3.4 **Voting.** Any action by the Council shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of all voting members of the Council that are present.

Section 3.5 **Procedure.** At all meetings of the Council, matter pertaining to the business of the Council shall be considered in accordance with the rules of procedure as from time to time prescribed by the Council.

Section 3.6 **Chairperson.** The Council will elect a Chairperson to preside over meetings. In the absence of the Chairperson, one administrative personnel shall exercise the powers of the Chairperson.

Section 3.7 **Secretary.** One administrative personnel will serve as the Secretary for the Council.

ARTICLE IV EFFECTIVE DATE, AMENDMENTS

Section 4.1 **Effective Date.** These By-laws shall become effective upon the occurrence of the following events:

- (1) the approval of these By-laws by the ECISD Board of Trustees; and
- (2) the adoption of these By-laws by the ECISD Student Health Advisory Council

Section 4.2 **Amendments to By-laws.** These By-laws may be amended only with the approval of the Board and the adaptation by the Council.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2005

Approved by the ECISD Board
of Trustees and adopted by the
ECISD Student Health Advisory
Council

Randy Rives, President