CEDAR HILL ISD PRELIMINARY BUDGET CALENDAR 2011-2012 Fiscal Year (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2011)

Included in the 10-11-10 Board Agenda is an item to consider a Preliminary 2011-2012 Budget Development Calendar.

Legal Framework:

Section 44.002(a) of the Texas Education Code states that "On or before a date set by the State Board of Education, the superintendent shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a proposed budget covering all estimated revenue and proposed expenditures of the district for the following year."

The law does not require a calendar; however, this timeline provides a "road map" for budgetary activity. The October calendar items are completed and/or well under way.

ADMINISTRATIVE INTENT IS TO BRING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES A BALANCED GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

- Because this direction will involve a careful monitoring of district expenditures and programs, the 2011-2012 Budget process started as it did last year, in November.
- You will see that Board involvement is also included in the early stages as well. It is important that:
 - \rightarrow The Board clearly understands its role in the budget development process.
 - → The Board has a clear understanding of the CHISD budgetary components, their role in the budget development process, and their role after the budget is adopted (handout attached).
 - → The Board clearly understands where we spend our money from a "big picture" perspective.
 - \rightarrow The Board is kept abreast of the process and its results.