



SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

March 3, 2025

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE GOOSE CREEK CISD'S EDUCATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS STANDARDS

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: The Administration is recommending the approval of the Educational Specifications (Ed Specs) to be utilized as the basis of design for all future Elementary, Junior and High School capital improvement projects as required by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) – School Facilities Standards for Construction dated November 1, 2021.

RATIONALE: On November 1, 2021, the TEA adopted a new set of School Facilities Standards for Construction under Title 19 of the Texas Administrative Code. This establishes standards for design and construction, including space and square foot requirements for all capital improvement projects funded on or after November 1, 2021. The New TEA School Facilities Standards for Construction call for the Board of Trustees to approve the district's Ed Specs. Ed Specs are a written educational program that guides the design process of newly proposed school facilities or major space renovations. They are the design standards and concepts to be used by Goose Creek CISD to guide the creation of engaging and effective learning environments that are necessary to support the district's instructional program. On June 6, 2024, the Ed Specs Team, comprised of district leadership, principals, instructional leaders, and facility personnel, reviewed successful teaching and learning expectations within the built environment. The result of the team's work was the creation of Goose Creek CISD's Ed Specs, created via collaboration with VLK Architects. The Ed Specs must be updated after five years from the date of Board approval.

BUDGET PROVISIONS/ACTION REQUIRED: N/A

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