



Regular Board Meeting

February 16, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: Information Item

SUBJECT: Update on Smith Early Learning Academy

BOARD POLICY: None

STRATEGIC GOAL(S): Strategic Goals 1 & 2

FISCAL NOTE: None

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## **Background Information**

For the 2026–27 school year, Duncanville ISD will open a new Pre-K3 campus that includes Head Start programming and 18 new classrooms, designed as an experiential, theme-based learning environment that supports early literacy, language development, and whole-child growth.

The campus will feature engaging learning themes such as Farmers Market, Zoo Animals & Pets, Plants, My Community, Space, Transportation, and Oceans, providing students with hands-on, real-world learning experiences that build foundational skills through play, exploration, and purposeful instruction.

## **Recommendation**

Not Applicable

## **Communication Deployment**

- Board Meeting Minutes
- District Website Posting

## **Suggested Motion**

Not Applicable

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Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent