



**Board of School Trustees
Mansfield Independent School District**

TITLE: Consideration and Approval of The Tarrant County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) Memorandum of Understanding 2026-2027 **DATE:** June 23, 2026

ACTION

BACKGROUND:

Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code requires that the juvenile boards of counties with populations greater than 125,000 develop a juvenile justice alternative education program (Section 37.011). The juvenile justice alternative education programs developed and established are to serve those students who are expelled from public school under Section 37.007 (a), (d), and (e) of the Texas Education Code, and may serve students expelled from the public schools under Section 37.07 (b), (c), or (f) (discretionary expulsions).

CONSIDERATIONS:

- The Memorandum of Understanding attached as Exhibit 1 presents the design of the JJAEP as developed by the Tarrant County Juvenile Board.
- The Memorandum of Understanding outlines the responsibilities of districts that have students eligible to attend the program.
- If the District chooses to send students to the JJAEP for discretionary expulsion reasons, a fee of \$129 per day will be charged to the District by the JJAEP provider. The JJAEP will not serve students under 12 years of age who are removed from school under TEC 37.007 (b), (c), or (f). Students assigned for discretionary reasons will be served on a space available basis.
- The JJAEP will provide an exit packet and coordinate the student's transition back to the regular campus.
- The Executive Director of Student Services is the designated representative to the Tarrant County JJAEP.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with Tarrant County, as presented, and that the Associate Superintendent for Student Services be designated to represent the Board in matters related to the Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

"I move that we approve the JJAEP Memorandum of Understanding with Tarrant County as presented and designate the Associate Superintendent for Student Services as our representative."