



Board Action Required

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To: CISD Board of Trustees

From: Kelly Penny

CC: Dr. Mike Waldrip, Sid Grant

RE: Pay to Play

The District is considering suspending Pay-to-Play fees for the 2017-2018 fiscal year with the option to review annually the potential re-instatement due to the continual changes in State funding. This has been discussed several times in cabinet and there are several reasons why this is being considered:

- The district has an adequate fund balance to absorb the loss of revenue of \$225,000 for 2017-2018.
- It is an act of goodwill by the Board in light of rising school property values/taxes.
- It can be burdensome on families, and this fee could potentially eliminate some students from participating.
- It eliminates a substantial burden on support staff at the campus when fees are collected and the burden on the business office when refunds are made to parents whose child didn't make the team.
- It eliminates extra-duty pay that is paid for preparation of documents to track payments and extra temporary help hired on days of registration/schedule pick-up.
- It eliminates the need for coaches, band, and other extra-curricular staff to pursue payments from students who have not paid by the beginning of the school year.
- It eliminates the district from moving students out of extracurricular activities when payment is not made.

Therefore, the recommendation is being made to suspend Pay-to-Play for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, and reevaluate the revenue program annually, based upon changes in school funding. If the Board elects to move forward, no formal action is required since this would flow through the budget process and the adoption of the annual Operating Fund budget.