

Executive Summary

Prepared for Board of Trustees Meeting

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UNT Eagle Advantage Report

Purpose of Report To update the Board of Trustees and qualifying students of the opportunity to gain guaranteed admission to the University of North Texas upon meeting the necessary Eagle Advantage requirements.

Objectives To provide more Denton ISD students with immediate access to post-secondary education opportunities. This will be achieved with:

- Juniors who rank in the top 20 percent of their graduating class, meet all Texas Success Initiatives (TSI) requirements, submit their ACT/SAT scores and complete the application process receive automatic admission into UNT.
- Current Denton ISD seniors will receive the same benefits as all juniors. Available to Class of 2015 only.
- UNT will provide high school campuses with assistance on admissions and financial aid applications on a regular basis.
- UNT will provide a \$1,000 scholarship to each high school to award a participating Eagle Advantage junior.

Operational Impact The district should see no financial costs associated with the program other than possible minimal expenses incurred by communications and/or counseling in helping inform district families of the program.

Results The Eagle Advantage program is seen as a benefit to district students as it will provide juniors relief of having to stress over college admission, should they choose to attend UNT. It will also serve as a precursor and/or example for future partnerships with Texas Woman's University and other local colleges and universities in regards to admissions or financial aid agreements. The program will also improve the communication between UNT and Denton ISD.