Brownsville Independent School District

Agenda Category: Conference Presentation **Board of Education Meeting:** 03/04/2026

Item Title: Recognition of the Procurement Services Department for the TASBO Award of Merit for Procurement Services Operations (AOM) 2026

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BACKGROUND:

The AOM award recognizes Texas school districts, open-enrollment charter schools, and education service centers that are committed to following professional standards in the acquisition of goods and services. The Texas Association for School Business Officials Procurement Services and Supply Management Research Committee evaluated the award criteria to ensure that it represented the latest best practices. For 2026, only 80 recipients in the State met the stringent criteria to qualify for this prestigious award. This award was presented to a Team of Procurement Services Staff at the TASBO 2026 Annual Conference.

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Submitted by: Chief Financial Officer

Approved for Submission to Board of Education:

Recommended by: Asst. Supt./Exec. Dir.
Rosario Peña, RTSBA
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Dr. Jesus H. Chavez, Superintendent

When Necessary, Additional Background May Follow This.

Brownsville ISD Honored with State-Wide Award

Procurement Services department earns prestigious Award of Merit

Brownsville, TX - Brownsville ISD is proud to be recognized by The Texas Association of School Business Officials (TASBO) with a 2026 Award of Merit for Purchasing Operations. The Award of Merit was established in 2009 to recognize Texas school districts, open-enrollment charter schools, and education services centers that are committed to following professional standards in the acquisition of goods and services.

Each year, volunteers with the TASBO Purchasing & Supply Management Research Committee evaluate the award criteria to ensure it represents the latest best practices. They then review new and recertification applications. For 2026, only 84 recipients met the stringent criteria to qualify for the award.

"We're proud of the work our honorees do to streamline school purchasing operations, comply with regulations, and set the standard for how to utilize taxpayer dollars," said Tracy Ginsburg, TASBO Executive Director. "That so many teams take the time to document their practices and procedures speak to the strength of the school finance and operations in schools across Texas."

Members of the district's procurement team were honored at an awards reception sponsored by BuyBoard Purchasing Cooperative in Grapevine on February 25 during the 2026 TASBO annual conference. For more information, please call: 956-548-8361