



Ector County Independent School District

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TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Lilia Náñez, Associate Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

SUBJECT: **DISCUSSION OF AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF 2021-2022 TEA PRE-K WAIVER**

DATE: April 20, 2021

ECISD will be applying for the TEA Pre-K Waiver, although we provide full-day Pre-K for our 4-year old students, we would like to have the option of hiring non-certified teachers to serve our 3-year old students who will attend Pre-K at the YMCA. The YMCA teachers will have a Texas Rising Star certification and will be coached by a certified ECISD Curriculum Specialist.

High-Quality Prekindergarten Component Exemption: An LEA who requests an exemption from full-day prekindergarten will have the option to request an exemption from one or more of the high-quality prekindergarten components. LEAs should follow the submission instructions below. 1. After requesting exemption from full-day prekindergarten, complete the "High-Quality Prekindergarten Component Exemption" form to request an exemption from one or more of the high-quality prekindergarten components. 2. Board approval is needed for exemption of one or more of the high-quality prekindergarten components. a. For LEAs requesting exemption from full-day prekindergarten for the first time, the request for exemption from full-day prekindergarten and the high-quality components can be taken to the board at the same time. b. For LEAs with an existing approved full-day prekindergarten exemption, an additional board approval will be needed for exemption of one or more of the high-quality prekindergarten components.

Administrative Recommendation:

Approval of the 2021- 2022 TEA PreK Waiver