

Terrell Independent School District

Executive Summary Report

Date	District Guiding Pillar	
October 20, 2025	Expect staff to deliver and students to engage in rigorous learning for high student achievement.	

Agenda Item: Consider Approval of the Bilingual and ESL Waiver

Summary:

Local Education Agencies (LEAs), including school districts, districts of innovation, and open-enrollment charter schools that are unable to provide the appropriately certified teachers to implement the bilingual education program must request from the commissioner of education an exception for the bilingual education program and approval to offer temporary alternative methods as per 19 TAC §89.1207(a).

Local Education Agencies (LEAs), including school districts, districts of innovation, and open-enrollment charter schools that are unable to provide the appropriately certified teachers to implement the ESL program must request from the commissioner of education a waiver for the ESL program and approval to offer temporary alternative methods as per 19 TAC §89.1207(a).

All applications are due on or before November 1, 2025.

Due to the shortage of Bilingual-Spanish teachers K-5, Terrell ISD will need to file a Bilingual Exception waiver with TEA.

Due to the shortage of certified ESL teachers needed to instruct the ELAR and English subject at secondary level, an ESL Waiver will need to be filed with TEA.

Attachments:

None

Administrative Recommendation:

Administration recommends the approval to file the 2024-2025 Bilingual Education Exception/English as a Second Language Waiver

Budget/Funding

NA