



**Coppell ISD Board of Trustees Proclamation
Regarding Special Legislative Session**

WHEREAS, Governor of State of Texas, Greg Abbott called a third special session of the 88th Legislature to convene in Austin in October 2023 to consider and act upon matters affecting public education, including school choice; and

WHEREAS, Coppell ISD serves over 13,300 students in Dallas County and employs over 1,500 dedicated education professionals; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires to unite efforts with other local public school districts, governmental agencies, Chambers of Commerce, businesses and organizations for the benefit of students, parents, staff, community members, and students across the state of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Believing our students are the reason for all that we do and in the Mission of Coppell ISD, which is, "Working together, we are committed to creating profound learning experiences for each child, while nurturing meaningful relationships, to positively impact our world"; and

WHEREAS, Coppell ISD uses the Community-Based Accountability System (CBAS) to engage and inform all stakeholders in the progress and growth around accountability on more than just one test on one day;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District will work with elected officials to support legislation that aligns with the following priorities:

1. Opposes the diversion of funds for K-12 public schools, including new funds, for school voucher, tax credit, or charter school programs until the State of Texas funds public schools above the national average.
2. Advocates for the establishment of a fair, transparent, and comprehensive accountability system that looks beyond high-stakes multiple-choice exams to meaningful assessments that have value for students, parents, teachers, and community stakeholders with advance notice of implementation.
3. Increases the basic allotment to account for the increase in overall educational services to students, additional funding for special education programming, staff pay increases, and fully funds the implementation of state mandated school safety standards.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District on the 23rd day of October, 2023.

By: _____

Board President

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Board Secretary