

HAYS CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: June 24, 2025

Agenda Item: K.3b.(2)

Board Goal: Student Achievement

Subject: Consideration and possible approval of the submission of the Hays CISD Pregnancy Related Services on-Campus CEHI Waiver to TEA for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 School Years

Administrator Responsible/Position: Marivel Sedillo, Deputy Superintendent / Chief Academic Officer
Megan Benthall, Director of Student Health Services

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

☒ Action needed ☐ Information only ☐ Receive input

B. Authority for This Action:

☐ Local Policy: ☒ Law or Rule
Texas Admin Code (TAC) Sec
129.1025, Student Attendance
Accounting Handbook, Section IX.
PRS

C. Goal or Need Addressed: Approval of the CEHI waiver application will allow CEHI services to be provided face-to-face on campus when necessary to meet student needs and only under certain conditions mandated by TEA.

D. Summary:

- ☒ **Previous board action relating to this item:** This waiver has been previously approved by the Hays CISD Board of Trustees and the TEA beginning in 2012 through the most recent approval in 2023 that extended the waiver through the end of 2024-2025 school year.
- ☒ **Future action anticipated:** This district will continue to review the need for this waiver application every 2 years.
- ☒ **Background information:** This waiver allows districts to request a waiver to offer Pregnancy-Related Services Compensatory Education Home Instruction (CEHI) on a district's campus. Special education students who qualify for Pregnancy Related Services (PRS) may also receive homebound instruction on campus if the district has an approved on-campus instruction waiver. The district must provide transportation as needed, cannot exceed a 4:1 student-teacher ratio, and may not use self-paced computer instruction to fulfill the four hours of CEHI instruction required. Students must be served at home if it is medically indicated by the student's medical provider.

E. Comments Received:

☒ Cabinet ☐ DLT ☐ FBOC ☐ Teacher Org. Reps. ☐ Other:

F. Administrative Recommendation: The administration recommends the approval of Hays CISD's application for Pregnancy Related Services on-Campus (CEHI) waiver for 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

Advantages and benefits of this proposal: This waiver allows PRS Homebound staff and PRS students the flexibility to provide CEHI services on campus face-to-face.

Expected results in terms of student benefit/achievement: This flexibility allows students to return to campus on a limited basis during their homebound period. This face-to-face instruction allows students to access a greater range of instructional support during the regular school day during the CEHI period, and it allows CEHI staff to support more than 1 student in a 4:1 group setting rather than solely in the evenings after the regular school day in each student's home.

Effect of this action on other parts of the system: Face-to-face small group instruction is more cost efficient than individual in-home instruction. This waiver also allows students to receive supplemental instruction from content area teachers, increasing the likelihood of a successful return to campus transition.

Consequences of not approving this recommendation: Not approving this recommendation will require all CEHI services to be provided in the home during the period of confinement.

G. Fiscal Impact and Cost: No cost

☐ Budget

☐ Bond

☐ Grant/Special Funds:

☐ Other

☐ Budget Amendment Needed

Prior Year Spending:

Reasons for rejecting alternatives: This waiver offers the district additional flexibility for providing CEHI services to students who qualify.

Future/Ongoing:

H. Monitoring and Reporting Time Line:

Person responsible for evaluating this decision or action: Marivel Sedillo

Evaluation method and time line: The effectiveness of this flexibility is reviewed annually based on PRS student attendance and academic achievement

Next report to the board: Report may be provided Upon Board Request or in the Spring of 2027 when this waiver will need to be reviewed for possible renewal.

I. Suggested Motion:

I move that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the submission of the Hays CISD application to the Texas Education Agency for Pregnancy Related Services On-Campus (CEHI) waiver for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years, as presented.