



Lamar CISD

Board Agenda Item Overview

Meeting Date: June 20, 2023

Meeting Type: Regular

Item Category: Consent Item

Primary Contact: Dr. Roosevelt Nivens

Presenter(s)/Add'l Contact(s): Alphonso Bates

Item Name: CONSIDER APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A STATE WAIVER TO THE TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

Item Summary: On Friday, May 5, 2023, a social media threat was made against Lamar Junior High School and Lamar Consolidated High School, about events that would take place on Monday, May 8. The District notified parents late on the evening of May 5 that the threat was not credible, and that additional security would be available on campus the following Monday. As a result, the attendance rate for Lamar Junior High School on Monday, May 8, 2023, was 71.36% versus a normal Average Daily Attendance of 92.90% registered during the 2021-2022 school year. The attendance rate for Lamar Consolidated High School was 69.19% versus a normal Average Daily Attendance of 88.60% registered during the 2021-2022 school year.

Per the Texas Education Agency's (TEA) Student Attendance Accounting Handbook (SAAH), districts that experience a decline of Average Daily Attendance at a specific campus on a specific day of 10% or greater due to weather, health, or safety related issues can request a Low-Attendance Day Waiver to have the day excluded from overall calculations.

Recommendation: Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Superintendent to submit a Low-Attendance Day Waiver to have Monday, May 8, 2023 excluded from Average Daily Attendance calculations for Lamar Junior High School and Lamar Consolidated High School.

Policy Reference: FEB (LEGAL), TEA SAAH 3.8.1.4

Leadership Definition Alignment: Plan for Success

Strategic Plan Alignment: Promote a Safe and Healthy Environment

Currently Budgeted? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ No Budgetary Impact

Completion or Implementation Timeline: If approved, the waiver will be submitted to TEA within 30 days.