Executive Summary

Prepared for Board of Trustees Meeting February 23, 2010

High School Graduation Plan Changes

Board Goal:

- I. Vision (b)
- II. Teaching and Learning (a,b,c,d,e,f)
- III. Climate (b)

Purpose of Report

The purpose of the report is to clarify the recent changes in the graduation plans resulting from HB 3 and subsequent State Board of Education modifications to align graduation programs. The "report" consists of materials that have been assembled online and are available to guide parents and students through the registration process.

Objectives

Highlight the changes to the Recommended and Distinguished Achievement Graduation Plans in a very brief power point that is posted on the district website.

Share with the Board of Trustees the tools developed to help students and parents understand the changes in the graduation plans including:

- o 2010-2011 Denton ISD High School Registration Video
- o 2010-2011 Career and Technical Education Video
- O District Website updates & power point
- Links to TEA graduation change information

Operational Impact

The immediate implementation of the new graduation requirements will necessitate an evaluation of existing personnel assignments. Each campus and master schedule will be in a transitional state the next few years as students move through the new changes.

Results

Utilizing the state versions of the Recommended High School Graduation Plan and the Distinguished Achievement Plan will give our students the maximum flexibility and choice in creating personal plans of study in an otherwise tight four by four academic program.

Other Options

School Trustees have the option to add requirements to the graduation plans.