

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF MANSFIELD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
ALLOWING STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN GRADUATION CEREMONIES**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Mansfield Independent School District (“District”) is authorized by Texas Education Code § 11.151 to govern and oversee the management of the public schools in the District;

WHEREAS, Board Policy FMH (LOCAL) states that to be eligible to participate in commencement activities and ceremonies, a student shall meet all state and local graduation requirements, including all applicable state testing;

WHEREAS, applicable state testing requirements include passing the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness End of Course exams (“STAAR EOC”);

WHEREAS, the schedule for graduation for the graduating class of 2025 falls before the students will receive the final results for the STAAR EOC exams; and

WHEREAS, this delay would prevent students who have met all other graduation requirements from celebrating their achievements at graduation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MANSFIELD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLVED, the Board hereby waives the requirement to have received a passing grade on the STAAR EOC exams found in Board Policy FMH (LOCAL) for the graduating class of 2025 only.

RESOLVED, students will be allowed to participate in graduation ceremonies as long as they:

1. Meet all state and local graduation credit requirements, but have not received STAAR EOC testing results;
2. Are in good standing with the District; and
3. Are only waiting for the STAAR EOC to determine graduation.

RESOLVED, any Diploma conferred will be held at the campus until all graduation requirements are met.

RESOLVED, in the event all STAAR EOC scores are received by the District and students prior to graduation, this Resolution will become null and void.

RESOLVED, due to the unique timing of state testing results, this exception is only for the 2024-2025 school year and will not apply to future years.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of December 2024, by the Board of Trustees for the Mansfield Independent School District.

By:

Keziah Farrar, Board President

Attest:

Craig Tipping, Board Secretary