

**WAIVER REQUEST AS CONSIDERATION FOR
CAMPUS HYBRID INSTRUCTION
FOR 9TH-12TH GRADE STUDENTS
(August 11, 2020)**

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of a waiver which would provide Denton ISD the flexibility to establish a less-than-daily on-campus attendance schedule for grades 9-12. The decision to offer a hybrid schedule has not been made, however in the event we need to consider a hybrid schedule to accommodate social distancing guidelines in order to address student and staff safety, this waiver request provides the flexibility to do so.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

For students in grades 9-12, school systems may establish a less-than-daily on campus attendance schedule as the sole offering for students in one or more high school campuses of the Local Education Agency (Denton ISD) in order to reduce the number of individuals on a campus at any one time and increase the total number of students served in an on-campus setting in the Local Education Agency. In the event there is not a daily on-campus attendance option in one or more of these grade levels, the Local Education Agency must ensure that on-campus attendance is offered as part of the hybrid schedule at least 40% of the days in each grading cycle. In order to pursue this hybrid option while not providing a daily on-campus offering for students, Denton ISD is required to submit a waiver request to TEA

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

No additional significant issues to report other than those reflected in the summary of this consent agenda item

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

Adoption of this waiver will allow Denton ISD to receive ADA and FSP funding for days in which such hybrid scheduling is utilized at the high school level.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

Passage will allow Denton ISD to have the ability to provide an intermittent on-campus attendance option at the high school level.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

Texas Education Agency will process the formal request as approved by the Denton ISD board of Trustees

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

None

ALTERNATIVES:

Without consent for the approval to provide less-than-daily on-campus attendance, Denton ISD will not have the ability to provide an intermittent on-campus attendance option at the high school level.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends the Board approves the waiver for 40% campus hybrid instruction for 9th-12th grade students to be submitted for consideration to the Texas Education Agency.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Dr. Gwen Perkins, Area Superintendent
Deron Robinson, General Counsel

ATTACHMENT:

Waiver Request for 40% Campus Hybrid Instruction for 9th-12th Grad Students

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____