

# Weatherford Independent School District Board Agenda Item

The mission of the Weatherford ISD is to educate, engage, and empower all students in a safe and positive learning environment to discover and reach their greatest potential.

Date December 9, 2024

# Administrator(s) Preparing Report

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## <u>Subject</u>

Approval of 2025-2026 Budget Development Calendar

### **Background Information**

Sections 44.001 through 44.006 of the Texas Education Code establish the legal basis for budget development in school districts. These requirements call for the Superintendent to prepare or cause to be prepared a proposed budget covering all estimated revenue and proposed expenditures of the district for the following fiscal year. The requirements also mandate that the budget be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, rules accepted by the State Board of Education, and adopted policies of the board of trustees.

To ensure transparency and accountability in the budget development process and to allow for sufficient time for stakeholder input, administration has developed a budget development calendar for board consideration. The budget development calendar provides critical dates for the preparation, review and adoption of school district budgets. Approval of the budget development calendar is a key first step in the budget development process that will serve as a guide to developing the budget for the next fiscal year. The budget development calendar is intended to reflect development milestones for public awareness and is subject to change.

#### **Strategic Plan Information**

Relates to Strategic Goal #1 – Focus on Student Success

Relates to Strategic Goal #2 – Focus on Students, Parents, and Communities

Relates to Strategic Goal #3 – Focus on Operational Excellence

Relates to Strategic Goal #4 – Focus on Employees and Organizational Development

Relates to Strategic Goal #5 – Focus on Stewardship

#### Administrative Recommendation

Administration recommends approval of the 2025-2026 Budget Development Calendar, as presented.