

# **Executive Summary**

## **Prepared for Board of Trustees Meeting**

### **April 22, 2025**

## **Announcement of Continuing Education Hours**

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### **Purpose of Report**

The continuing education required under the Texas Education Code, §11.159, applies to each member of an independent school district board of trustees. The continuing education requirement consists of three categories (sometimes called “tiers”) including orientation sessions, an annual team-building session with the local board and the superintendent, and continuing education to meet the assessed needs and training on evaluating and improving student outcomes. Experienced board members shall receive between nine to sixteen hours of continuing education annually. Required hours after the first year will vary depending on how the Post-Legislative Update, Child Abuse, and Student Achievement and Accountability hours fall for an individual trustee.

### **Objectives**

Since 1996, the State Board of Education (SBOE) rule has required the board president to make a public announcement each year of the names of those board members who have completed the required continuing education, who has exceeded the required hours of continuing education, and who is deficient in meeting the required continuing education as of the anniversary of the date of each board member's election or appointment to the board. In June 2018, the Legislature amended the provisions to require that during the last regular meeting of the board of trustees before an election of trustees, the minutes reflect whether each board member has fulfilled their training requirements as of the date of the meeting.

### **Results**

The Board President will announce at the meeting which board member of Denton ISD has completed, exceeded, or is deficient in the required State Board of Education requirements and number of hours required annually.