

## Curriculum & Instruction Department

To: Barry Edwards & the BISD Board of Trustees  
From: Jennifer Eberly, Chief Academic Officer  
Date: June 2025  
Re: Board Report

### Curriculum and Instruction: Jennifer Eberly

Our Curriculum and Instruction team is actively engaged in summer work. During this time, we focus on revising curriculum documents by reviewing lessons, assessments, and the student supports we offer to teachers.

Summer is also a peak period for professional learning. As we enter the third year of curriculum implementation, our focus is on enhancing student engagement strategies, refining student supports, and integrating technology to enrich instruction.

We value the insights of teachers and instructional leaders and use input to make meaningful adaptations. Our goal is to ensure that all staff are equipped with the tools and skills necessary for success.

### College, Career, and Military Readiness: Raina Ellis

#### **Counseling**

In coordination with Bluebonnet Trails Community Services, ~400 staff members will receive Youth Mental Health First Aid Training this summer.

#### **CTE/Work-Based Learning**

Four of our CTE teachers will be participating in teacher externships with local business partners this summer.

#### **PTECH**

Our rising PTECH freshmen participated in a two-day summer bridge program. Our Advanced Manufacturing students visited TCS and our Health Science students toured St. David's Hospital. Along with the tours, our students spent two days in orientation learning about the program and building community within their cohort.

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### Digital Learning & Library Services: Chris Lairscey

#### Summer Professional Learning

We are offering teachers and staff a variety of summer learning options, inspiring them to level up their practices while they relax and refresh before the next school year. Our offerings are both in-person and virtual, with topics ranging from teacher-created video, student agency, blended learning, foundations of AI tools for educators, and student engagement tools.

### Bilingual Education: Lizbeth Moore

I am truly excited to have joined the team! Our Pre-Kinder and Kinder summer school is off to a great start, and it's been a pleasure meeting our student participants and their families, beginning to connect with our principals, and getting to know our district support team.

### Leadership Development & School Improvement

#### Student-Centered Coaching Training

On June 9th and 10th, Instructional coaches received the first of 4 two-day training sessions on a new coaching model. Diane Sweeney's Student-Centered Coaching Model places student learning outcomes at the heart of the coaching process. It emphasizes a collaborative, non-evaluative partnership between teachers and coaches, focusing on instructional strategies that directly impact student achievement. The model is data-driven, using formative assessments to inform instruction and guide decision-making. Coaching is organized into structured 4–6 week cycles aligned with specific student learning goals. Rather than focusing on teacher deficiencies, the approach centers on co-planning and co-teaching to meet clearly defined student learning targets.

### Special Programs & Services: Derek Eberly

Our **Annual Special Education Teacher Academy** is in full swing! This training is crucial for equipping our educators with the skills to effectively **create, implement, and monitor Individualized Education Plans (IEPs)**.

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**Fine Arts: Marc Telles**

### **Cedar Creek and Bastrop High School Band and Choir Students Shine at UIL State Contest**

Band and Choir students from Cedar Creek High School and Bastrop High School recently showcased their talents at the UIL Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest in Austin over Memorial Day Weekend. This prestigious event holds participants to a rigorous state-level standard. Soloists earn medals for receiving Division I or II ratings, while ensembles are awarded medals for achieving a Division I rating. We are proud to recognize the following students and programs for their outstanding performances:

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