

**Item of information on Activities of the  
School Health Advisory Council  
April 15, 2024**

1. Background:

Chapter 28, Section 28.004 of the Texas Education Code (TEC) requires the establishment of a local school health education advisory council (SHAC). A SHAC is a volunteer advisory council, comprised of majority parents, community leaders, school personnel, and other representatives, that serves to assist the district in ensuring that local community values are reflected in health education instruction. SHACs play an important role in strengthening the connection between health and learning.

Under TEC Section 28.004, the SHAC's duties include recommending policies, procedures, curriculum, and strategies for health education appropriate for specific grade levels. In addition to providing recommendations to the Board, Section 28.004 requires SHACs to submit a written report to the Board at least once annually.

2. Process:

The SHAC has met four times during the '23-'24 academic year, as required by the Texas Education Code. The primary objective for this year was to review components of the UCISD Wellness Policy and gain greater insight into staff, student, and family perspectives regarding elements of health and wellness practices throughout the district. This objective was met via creation and dissemination of a Wellness Survey. Data from the survey serve as the basis for recommendations to the Board, including approval of a resolution directing the SHAC to make recommendations related to the adoption of human reproduction curriculum materials.

All meeting agendas, minutes, and audio recordings may be accessed on the UCISD website.

3. Fiscal Impact:

No fiscal impact

4. Recommendation:

None. Item of information only.

5. Action Required:

None

6. Contact Person:

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