



COPPELL
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Board Action Required

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To: Coppell ISD Board of Trustees
From: Sid Grant
Date: August 5, 2019

cc: Brad Hunt, Diana Sircar, Kristen Streeter, Angie Applegate, Richard Lindell

Re: Resolution Declaring Hazardous Student Transportation Routes

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) allows school districts to obtain supplemental state funding for transporting regular, otherwise ineligible students, who live within two miles of their school but who would be subjected to potentially hazardous conditions if they walked to school. The TEA Handbook on School Transportation Allotments requires the Board to adopt language providing the definition of hazardous traffic conditions applicable to the district and identifying the specific hazardous areas for which such funding is requested. Texas Education Code (TEC) Section 42.155(d) and Coppell ISD Board Policy CNA (Legal) states, “a hazardous traffic condition exists where no walkway is provided and students must walk along or cross a freeway or expressway, an underpass, and overpass or a bridge, an uncontrolled major traffic artery, an industrial or commercial area, or another comparable condition.”

Prior to the 2019 Texas State Legislative Session, Coppell ISD did not qualify to apply for this funding. However, with the passage of House Bill 3, we now may submit for the state transportation allotment for our regular routes that are over two miles via a roadway, for special education routes, and for routes under two miles that are designated as hazardous by the Board of Trustees. In order to receive funding from the state for hazardous route transportation services for the 2019-20 school year, the Board must adopt a resolution *prior to the first day of school* approving the criteria used to define hazardous routes and identifying the hazardous routes [Board Policy CNA (Local)]. Please see the Resolution following this memo.

SUGGESTED MOTION: I move the Board adopt the resolution declaring hazardous student transportation routes as presented.

**RESOLUTION OF THE COPPELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTESS REGARDING HAZARDOUS TRAFFIC
CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, Education Code 42.155(d) allows the Board of Trustees of Coppell Independent School District to obtain supplemental state funding for transporting regular, otherwise ineligible students, who live within two miles of their school but who would be subject to hazardous traffic conditions if they walked to school;

WHEREAS, the TEA Handbook on School Transportation Allotments and Board Policy CNA (Local) requires the Board to adopt language providing the definition of hazardous traffic conditions applicable to the District and identifying the specific hazardous areas for which funding is requested;

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges the Education Code 42.155(d) provisions stating that a hazardous condition exists where no walkway is provided and students must walk along or cross a freeway or expressway, an underpass, an overpass or a bridge, an uncontrolled major traffic artery, an industrial or commercial area, or another comparable condition;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Coppell Independent School District has defined hazardous traffic conditions in the same manner as stated in Education Code 42.155(d) and has identified the attached specific hazardous areas for each school in which such conditions exist.

Adopted this 5th day of August, 2019, by the Board of Trustees.

President – Thom Hulme

Secretary – Nichole Bentley

COPPELL ISD DESIGNATED HAZARDOUS TRAFFIC AREAS

(Attachment to Resolution of the Coppell Independent School District Board of Trustees Regarding Hazardous Traffic Conditions adopted August 5, 2019)

Austin Elementary

Sandy Lake Road

Beltline Road

Cottonwood Creek Elementary

Highway 121

Denton Creek Elementary

Highway 121

Denton Tap Road

MacArthur Blvd

Lakeside Elementary

MacArthur Blvd

Richard J. Lee Elementary

Ranch Trail

Interstate 635

Olympus Blvd

Mockingbird Elementary

Beltline Road

Pinkerton Elementary

Beltline Road

Cottonbelt Line Railroad Tracks

Wilson Elementary

Sandy Lake Road

Coppell High School

Sandy Lake

Denton Tap

Coppell High School Ninth Grade Campus

Beltline Road

Wrangler Drive

Cottonbelt Line Railroad Tracks

Coppell Middle School East

Sandy Lake Road

Beltline Road

Coppell Middle School North

Highway 121

Denton Tap Road

MacArthur Blvd

Coppell Middle School West

Ranch Trail

Interstate 635

Olympus Blvd