

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

**COPPELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Coppell Independent School District supports ongoing efforts to ensure that the school finance system adequately provides resources for all Texas school children, while still allowing local districts the opportunity to provide enrichment opportunities to promote academic rigor in their communities, and the current funding system fails to achieve that goal; and

WHEREAS, the Coppell Independent School District Board of Trustees encourages the 81st Texas Legislature to work to improve the adequacy of the Texas public school finance system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Coppell Independent School District Board of Trustees that the following improvements be made to the Texas public school finance system:

1. Address Target Revenue for school districts by increasing the minimum Target Revenue to \$5,000 and providing an across-the-board increase to all school districts above \$5,000 of at least \$110 per weighted Average Daily Attendance (ADA)
2. Allow local districts to retain more of the property taxes generated from increases in local property values
3. Revamp the school finance formulas to provide adequate funding for Texas public education and reduce the complexity and uncertainty of school funding by simplifying the calculations
4. Increase the tax rate allowed without voter authorization
5. Change tax rate election requirements to allow for tax authorization rather than ratification
6. Raise the maximum tax rate with provision for local public school districts to retain 100% of those additional taxes

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Coppell Independent School District Board of Trustees asks other local school boards and all citizens to contact their Texas Representatives and Senators to support these recommended changes to the Texas school finance system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Coppell Independent School District Board of Trustees asks the 81st Legislature to consider these improvements to the school finance system and to provide adequate funding for the school children of the state of Texas.

PASSED and ADOPTED on the 27th day of April 2009.

COPPELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Signed by: _____

Cindy L. Warner
President, Board of Trustees

Attest: _____

Susie Kemp
Secretary, Board of Trustees