

Consider approval of Low Attendance Waiver

1. Board Goals: UCISD will manage a fiscally responsible budget that supports strategic priorities. We will collaborate to support the goals of teaching and learning. Including regular meetings to solve complex issues, assistance with policies and procedures, and budget update meetings. This will result in all budget stewards returning 3% of their budget.

2. Background: For a day when school was held but attendance was at least 10 percentage points below the overall average attendance rate for your district or the applicable campus for the prior year because of issues related to inclement weather, health, or safety, your district may apply for a waiver to have the day excluded from Average Daily Attendance and Foundational School Program funding calculations.

3. Process: On three occasions during the [2024-2025](#) school year, the district experienced low attendance days due to bad weather. These dates are January 21, 20 and 22, 2025. The requirement for application to waive these days from the districts overall ADA calculations are that the campus and/or districts overall percentage of attendance is below the prior year's percentage of attendance for the entire year.

The district's percentage of attendance for the prior year was **86.7%**. On January 21, 2025 the percent in attendance was 0%, January 20, 2025 the percent in attendance was 57.66% and on January 22, 2025 the percent in attendance was 66.78%.

4. Fiscal Impact: With approval of the waiver by the Texas Education Agency, these three dates will be removed from the annual calculation of the district's attendance and will raise the overall percentage of attendance for the school year.

5. Recommendation: Board approve the district to proceed with application of waiver for low attendance days for January 21, 2025; January 20, 2025 and January 22, 2025.

6. Action required: Board approval

7. Contact person:

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