

Cedar Hill Independent School District
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Date: February 11, 2008

Presented by: Mr. Horace Williams, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Consider Policy EIF (Local) on First Reading

Information Item

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Policy EIF (Local) – Academic Achievement – Graduation

The High School staff has identified a need for some students to be able to earn up to 3 reading credits for state graduation purposes. The Texas Education Agency has a prescribed methodology for accomplishing that purpose. CHISD would comply with that methodology in order to meet students' needs in reading and for graduation.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board review the proposed Policy EIF (Local) as attached.

This will constitute the first reading of the Policy.

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED:

Review only. No action required at this first reading

POLICY AUTHORIZATION:

BF (LOCAL) – Board Policies

CONTACT PERSON(S):

Dr. Homer Carter, Chief Academic Officer
Karen Gilbert, Instructional Specialist - ELA

FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A.

ENCLOSURES:

Policy EIF (Local) as proposed for consideration

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
GRADUATION

EIF
(LOCAL)

MINIMUM PROGRAM

The District requires completion of 2 credits in addition to those required by the state for graduation under the Minimum Program. The additional credits shall be electives.

RECOMMENDED PROGRAM

The District requires no additional credits for graduation under the Recommended Program beyond those mandated by the state.

ADVANCED /
DISTINGUISHED
ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

The District requires no additional credits for graduation under the Advanced/Distinguished Achievement Program beyond those mandated by the state.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION
SUBSTITUTIONS

The District shall allow students to substitute certain physical activities for the 1.5 required credits of physical education. Such substitutions shall be based on the physical activity involved in:

1. Drill team, marching band, and cheerleading during the fall semester.
2. Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC).
3. Athletics.
4. Dance I-IV.

Two- or three-credit career and technology work-based training courses.

OTHER PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
PROGRAMS

The District shall award state graduation credit for physical education for appropriate private or commercially sponsored physical activity programs conducted either on or off campus, upon approval by the Commissioner of Education. [See also EHAC]

READING CREDITS

~~The District shall not offer state graduation credit for reading.~~

The District shall offer not more than 3 reading credits for state graduation pursuant to TEA guidelines.