

Executive Summary
Prepared for Board of Trustees Meeting
January 10, 2017

**Resolution: A-F Accountability Rating System for
Texas Public Schools**

Board Goal:

- Advocate and practice true accountability based on measurement of individual student progress over time, regardless of external mandates

Purpose of Report

To request that the Denton ISD Board of Trustees, through the attached resolution, calls on the Texas Legislature to repeal the rating system utilizing A through F grades for schools and districts and allow the development of a community-based accountability system that empowers school districts to design their own internal systems of assessment and accountability. In addition, any new system proposed should reduce the use of high-stakes, standardized tests, encompass multiple assessments, reflect greater validity, and, more accurately reflect what students know and can do in terms of the rigorous standards.

Objectives

- To acquaint the Board of Trustees with the attached resolution and its proposals.
- To discuss and answer questions concerning the purpose of submitting this resolution to our State Legislators.
- To request the approval of the attached resolution as a new business item.

Operational Impact

N/A

Results

Texas Legislature approving the development of a community-based accountability system that empowers school districts to design their own internal systems of assessment and accountability that, while meeting general state standards, allows districts to innovate and customize curriculum and instruction to meet the needs and interests of each student and their communities; and this new system should reduce the use of high-stakes, standardized tests, encompass multiple assessments, reflect greater validity, and, more accurately reflect what students know and can do in terms of the rigorous standards.

Other Options

Dismissing the resolution.