

BOARD CONSENT AGENDA ITEM
April 13, 2021

Consider Approval of Extended Closures/Missed School Day Waiver

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval to apply for a Missed School Day waiver from the Texas Education Agency (TEA) in accordance with the *TEA Inclement Weather Update*, dated March 4, 2021. The Missed School Day waiver applies to a complete campus/LEA closure when no instruction was provided.

The Denton ISD (all campuses) was completely closed from Tuesday, February 16, 2021, through Friday, February 19, 2021, which were instructional days as assigned by our 2020 – 2021 school calendar (modified/approved on December 15, 2021).

Several campuses incurred extensive damage requiring additional school day closures during the week of February 22, 2021. This consent agenda item requests approval to apply for a Missed School Day waiver for these campuses and specific dates as well.

If approved, the Missed School Day waiver will be requested for the dates listed below:

Denton ISD - Extended Closures/Missed School Day Waiver			
Campus/District	TEA ID Number	Missed School Day(s)	Grades Impacted
Denton ISD	061-901	Tuesday, February 16, 2021 Wednesday, February 17, 2021 Thursday, February 18, 2021 Friday, February 19, 2021	All grades/All campuses
Adkins Elementary School	061-901-126	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021	All grades
Borman Elementary School	061-901-111	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021	All grades
Harpool Middle School	061-901-048	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021 Wednesday, February 24, 2021	All grades
Hodge Elementary School	061-901-105	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021	All grades
Houston Elementary School	061-901-102	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021	All grades
Nelson Elementary School	061-901-121	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021 Wednesday, February 24, 2021	All grades
Strickland Middle School	061-901-044	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021	All grades
Union Park Elementary School	061-901-128	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021	All grades
Ann Windle SYC	061-901-114	Monday, February 22, 2021 Tuesday, February 23, 2021 Wednesday, February 24, 2021	All grades
E.P. Rayzor Elementary School	061-901-115	Thursday, March 4, 2021 Friday, March 5, 2021	All grades

BOARD GOAL:

Vision – In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

- Develop and maintain a culture where learning remains our first priority

- Develop a budget focused on student and professional learning

Climate – In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

- Encourage and nourish a safe learning and compassionate working environment which ensures open and transparent communication and is supportive, cooperative, and ethical

Parent and Community Involvement – In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

- Foster a positive and welcoming environment that encourages parent and community partnerships to achieve success for all our students
- Provide support services and promote health, wellness and safety for students and families

Growth, Change & Fiscal Responsibility – In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

- Create and continuously modify strategies to mitigate increasing stresses on our children, our schools and our community
- Provide leadership and/or oversight to ensure District meets all fiscal, legal, and regulatory requirements

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

No previous board action required for the 2020 – 2021 school year in relation to Missed School Day waivers.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This waiver is being submitted in accordance with the [Texas Education Agency’s guidance regarding Winter Storm Uri](#), last updated Marcy 4, 2021.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

No additional significant issues to report other than those reflected in the summary of this consent agenda item.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

Consideration of extended closures/virtual learning on dates provided above may have a fiscal impact if the waiver is not submitted according to TEA’s guidance.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

Approval of this action allows the District to submit a Missed School Day waiver for the dates referenced in the summary above in consideration of any impact to instructional days in TEA’s calculation of ADA and FSP funding, if applicable.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

Texas Education Agency will process the formal request as approved by the Denton ISD board of trustees.

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

None

ALTERNATIVES:

Without consent of approval to submit the Missed School Day waivers for the above referenced campuses, the average daily attendance for these days may be utilized in determining ADA and FSP funding calculations without consideration of the impact of Winter Storm Uri.

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Missed School Day waiver request to be submitted for consideration to the Texas Education Agency.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Gwendolyn M. Perkins, Area Superintendent for Academic Programs

ATTACHMENT:

None

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: Gwendolyn M. Perkins

Signature of Superintendent: _____