

**Graham Independent School District
Board Agenda Item Synopsis**

Subject: Consider Approval of the 2026-2027 Graham ISD School Calendar

Background Information: A Calendar Committee consisting of teachers, staff, administrators, parents, and community members met three times this spring to work on our proposed school calendar for 2026-2027. We studied our current calendar, we set expectations for our 2026-2027 calendar, based on TEA requirements, and we reviewed calendar data from area and regional school districts. We asked for feedback from our staff and we addressed a majority of the concerns. Dr. Madeley and Mr. Loomis presented calendar concepts and survey data from our staff and parents at the February 25th Board meeting. We have extended student learning days from 157-164. This addition has extended teachers from 170-177 days. This is a district effort to get to 165 student learning days. In order for GISD to qualify for curriculum and other state monetary grants, school districts must make an effort to move their school calendar to 165 days of student learning. We have taken a strong step in the recommended direction.

Administrative Consideration: Consider approval of the GISD School Calendar for 2026-2027.

Alignment to District Goals:

- 1. **Academics:** All students will be prepared for success at the next level.
- 2. **Our People:** Recruit and retain highly qualified employees at all levels.
- 3. **Finance and Facilities:**
 - Optimize revenues and impact student achievement by increasing attendance rates at all campuses.
 - Commit to excellence in facilities that promote innovative, health, and welcoming learning environments.
- 4. **Culture:** All stakeholders will take ownership in creating a welcoming, compassionate, unified school community striving for aspirational achievements.
- 5. **Safety:** Provide a safe, healthy and secure environment for all stakeholders.
- 6. **Communications:** Support student success through clear, consistent, and inclusive communication and marketing that builds trust, reflects our diverse community, and empowers all stakeholders.

Budgetary Impact:

None.

Recommendation:

Approve the 2026-2027 Graham ISD School Calendar.

Meeting Date:
March 4, 2026