

Date:	August 18, 2025
Agenda Item	2025-2026 Chapter 49 Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credits
Policy Reference	CE (Legal/Local)
Strategic Goal	Fiscal Responsibility
Department	Finance Division

Recommendation

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve the 2025-2026 Chapter 49 Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credits and delegate contractual authority to the Superintendent.

Summary

Pursuant to Texas Education Code (TEC), §§48.257 and 49.004, our District has been determined by the Texas Education Agency (TEA or agency) that our District's Tier One local share under TEC, §48.256, will exceed the District's entitlement under TEC, §48.266(a)(1), less the District's distribution from the state available school fund, and/or that the District's Tier Two local share described by TEC, §48.266(a)(5)(B), will exceed the amount described by TEC, §48.202(a-1)(2), for school year 2025–2026.

The purpose of this agreement, approved by the voters in 2003, is to enable the District to reduce its wealth per weighted student to a level that is not greater than the equalized wealth level as determined by the Commissioner of Education. If we choose to submit the option to purchase attendance credits from TEA via the Chapter 49 Excess Revenue subsystem, each year the District school board must delegate the authority to obligate the school District under Chapter 49 to the Superintendent. The motion language is required to be recorded in the board minutes which will be uploaded into TEA Foundation School Program system.

Rationale

The District continues to be classified as a property wealthy District and is not expected to pay excess revenue to the state in 2025-26 based on projected enrollment and resulting ADA.

Recommended by: Dr. Kristin Craft - Superintendent

Submitted by: Wesley Scott – Chief Financial Officer

Suggested Motion: For the 2025-2026 school year, we delegate contractual authority to obligate the school District under Texas Education Code (TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the Superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the District under TEC, §48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the Commissioner of Education as authorized under TEC, §49.006. This included approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit.