

MEETING DATE: February 20, 2012

AGENDA ITEM: CRE Report – Child Nutrition

PRESENTER: Earl Husfeld

ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S):

6. Provide resources and facilities consistent with the growth of the District.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) is the state agency that supervises the child nutrition program within Texas school districts.
- Every three to five years, the TDA schedules a Coordinated Review Effort (CRE) to ensure each school district's compliance with the United States Department of Agriculture's Child Nutrition Programs.
- The CRE is separated into two pieces, Critical Areas of Review and General Areas of Review. Critical Areas of Review encompasses counting and claiming, eligibility certification and benefit issuance, meals components, and menu items. General Areas of Review encompasses all other federal and state requirements.
- Failure to comply with these federal and state regulations may result in the TDA conducting a follow up review or taking fiscal action against a school district.
- The TDA's School Operations Monitor conducted the CRE in Aledo ISD on January 31 through February 1.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS:

- I am extremely pleased to report the Aledo ISD Child Nutrition Department received an EXCELLENT rating at the conclusion of the CRE.
- The EXCELLENT rating was the result of a perfect score with no findings on the 120 questions listed on the 20 pages of Finding Sheets.
- An EXCELLENT rating is very difficult to achieve, as evidenced by a comment made by the School Operations Monitor that he has had only one other school district who has received an EXCELLENT rating this school year.
- I would like to give everyone who assisted with this CRE a very big Thank You.

FISCAL NOTE:

None – Informational Report

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

None – Informational Report