



## Consent Item

**Date:** May 11, 2026

**Division:** Finance

**Subject:** Consider Approval of Denton Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Shared Services Arrangement Agreement Expenditures

### **Background Information:**

- The Lewisville ISD Board of Trustees approved a Shared Services Arrangement Agreement (SSA) with Denton ISD (Special Education) for the Denton Regional Day School Program for the Deaf on August 9, 2021. This program serves students with hearing impairments in over 25 member districts in Cooke, Denton, and Wise Counties.
- The updated SSA provided the ability to negotiate and approve revisions to the current Shared Services Agreement and was amended to an Interlocal Agreement in full conformity with Texas state law.
- School districts maintain the authority to enter into interlocal agreements under the authority of Texas Education Code Sections 11.157 and 11.1511(c)(4) as well as Texas Government Code Annotated Section 791.001 and following within this section of code.
- The program provides services to eligible students, ages ranging from birth to 21, who are eligible for special education services based on auditory impairment. Services include general education support with interpreter services, if needed, to self-contained deaf education students with instruction provided by certified teachers of the deaf and/or hearing impaired. The program stresses English acquisition for language development and speech using a total communication approach.
- The district provides transportation and 1:1 nursing service, as necessary. Lewisville ISD is also responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Individualized Education Program (IEP) and must attend any scheduled Admission, Review, and Dismissal (ARD) meetings in Denton.
- The annual amount charged for each student is determined by board members comprised of ten school districts and educational entities. The total number of students the district is invoiced for is based on last year's program attendance.
- A member district may withdraw from the Shared Services Arrangement Agreement (SSA) by providing the fiscal agent written notice no later than August 1 preceding the last fiscal year during which the district intends to remain as a member district in the SSA. A member district that provides timely notice to withdraw would remain a member for the fiscal year following the written notice.
- There are currently 11 Lewisville ISD students attending for the 2025–2026 school year and an anticipated 10 Lewisville ISD students for the 2026–2027 school year.

- This Shared Services Arrangement has helped with the cost efficiency for services provided to Lewisville ISD eligible students.

**Administrative Consideration:**

- Funds for this program come from the Special Education general fund budget.
- Previous annual expenditures:
  - 2025–2026: \$220,000 (11 students x \$20,000 each) based on the student enrollment snapshot in December 2024.
- Estimated annual expenditures:
  - \$200,000 (10 students x \$20,000 each) based on the student enrollment snapshot in December 2025 but will not exceed the approved budget.
- This procurement complies with Texas Education Code Chapter 30, Subchapter D.

**Recommendations:**

- That the Lewisville ISD Board of Trustees approves the Denton Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Shared Services Arrangement Agreement Expenditures and the estimated expenditures for the 2026–2027 school year with Denton ISD.

**Timeline/Report:**

- Term: 2026–2027 school year