



COPPELL
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Board Action Required ☒

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To: Coppel ISD Board of Trustees
From: Dr. Angie Applegate
Date: July 16, 2018
cc: Brad Hunt and Kay Ryon

Re: District of Innovation Policies

Updates to LOCAL policy are needed to align policy with practice for the District of Innovation, as recommended by our TASB Policy Consultant.

(AF) Innovation Plan: In accordance with the District's innovation plan, the District is exempt from the state law that generally requires school districts to hire teachers who are certified by the State Board for Educator Certification. State certification shall not be required for teachers of career and technical courses. In addition, the Superintendent shall have the authority to permit a certified teacher to teach outside his or her certified field(s). All other teaching assignments shall require certification in accordance with state law. [See DK]

(DBA): State Teacher Certification: In accordance with the District's local innovation plan exemption regarding SBEC certification [see DBA], the Superintendent shall have the authority to approve a request by the principal for a qualified individual with experience in a career and technical education (CTE) field to teach a CTE course. In addition, the Superintendent shall have the authority to approve the principal's request to assign a certified teacher to teach outside his or her certified field(s). All other teaching assignments shall require certification in accordance with state law.

(DK): Campus Assignments: In accordance with the District's innovation plan, the District is exempt from the state laws that generally require instruction for students to begin no earlier than the fourth Monday in August and prohibit scheduling the last day of school prior to May 15.

(EB): School Start and End Time: This policy shall apply to a student who has not been in attendance for 90 percent of the days the class is offered in a traditional class setting. In accordance with the District's innovation plan, this policy shall not apply to a student who has not been in attendance for 90 percent of the days the class is offered for nonstandard, non-traditional courses offered virtually and off campus, including internships.

Recommendation:

An appropriate motion for board action on these local policy updates is:

“I move that the board add, revise or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended and presented.”