

# Executive Summary

## Prepared for Board of Trustees Meeting

### August 11, 2015

## Lone Star TIA Workshop

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### **Board Goal:**

- Establish quality staff development programs that promote professional learning communities
- Stay abreast of and incorporate best practices into teaching, learning, technology and leadership
- Actively pursue, foster and support an advanced learning environment
- Foster a positive and welcoming environment that encourages parent and community partnerships to achieve success for all our students

### **Purpose of Report**

- The purpose of this workshop is to inform the Board regarding TIA 2015 (Technology In Action) conference hosted by Denton ISD on July 21<sup>rd</sup> and 22<sup>th</sup>.

### **Objectives**

- To provide Denton ISD staff with quality professional development that focuses on integrating technology into the learning environment so that our students are ready for 21<sup>st</sup> century success
- To provide our community (residents, business professionals, community members, etc...) with quality professional development that focuses on technology and productivity tools
- To provide outside-of-district educators with a low cost, quality professional development opportunity that features many of the large conference amenities (vendors, hands on workshops, certifications, etc...)
- To showcase Denton ISD as a leader of learning and promote the positive initiatives happening within our district

### **Operational Impact**

- TIA is currently a self-funded event (via participant registration, vendor sponsorships, and donations)
- District funds are not required to produce this event
- The conference is hosted in a Denton ISD facility (Advanced Technology Complex)
- This annual conference is held in mid to late July (this year, the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>)

### **Results**

As a result of the TIA conference:

- Denton ISD teachers will be better equipped to effectively incorporate technology into their learning environment
- Students will be better prepared for college and the 21<sup>st</sup> century workplace as their teachers are utilizing the strategies and techniques that TIA provides
- Outside-of-district stakeholders (community members, visiting educators, business professionals, etc...) will gain better insight into Denton ISD and the positive happenings that are taking place in our district/community