

# **Executive Summary**

## **Board of Trustees Meeting**

### **December 10, 2019**

### **2019 - 2020 ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Reporting Period Attendance Report**

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#### **Board Goal:**

##### **Domain 1 – Teaching & Learning**

- establish high expectations with a curriculum fostering inquiry, critical thinking, civic responsibility and exemplary citizenship

##### **Domain 2 – Culture & Climate**

- foster a positive, welcoming environment encouraging parent and community partnerships
- promote health, wellness and emotional well-being

##### **Domain 3 – Growth & Management**

- remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus

##### **Domain 4 – Opportunities for Students**

- develop academic skills and interpersonal relationships necessary for student success in college, the workplace, and for life.

#### **Purpose of Report:**

The purpose of this report is to provide campus and district ADA percentages for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reporting Period of the 2019-2020 school year (September 23, 2019 through November 1, 2019) and to compare this data to prior years. This report will also identify current truancy prevention measures being used on Denton ISD campuses to increase student attendance.

#### **Objective:**

The objective is to routinely analyze and monitor Denton ISD's attendance data with the goal of improving student attendance. By making this data readily accessible throughout the school year, the district will raise awareness of school attendance and monitor trends and changes across the district. The district will also provide transparent communication, training, and support; where needed, to improve student attendance in Denton ISD.

#### **Operational Impact:**

The analysis and monitoring of attendance data will increase the funding received from ADA, increase academic success and school completion, and support the district goal ensuring that all students are reading on grade level by the end of grade 3.

#### **Results:**

There are 28 instructional days in this 2<sup>nd</sup> Reporting Period. The district ADA % for 2019-2020 Reporting Period 2 is 96.51%, this is a very slight decrease from last school year when the ADA % was 96.64%.

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Adkins had the highest ADA percentage for elementary campuses in Denton ISD at 97.65%. Harpool had the highest ADA percentage for middle school campuses in Denton ISD at 97.66%. Guyer had the highest ADA percentage for high school campuses in Denton ISD at 97.0%.

Four of our five alternative campuses had ADA %'s in the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile, with Ann Windle and Gonzalez topping the list with 99.72% and 99.67% ADA percentages. When compared to last school year, FMHS school had the greatest ADA% improvement for the 2<sup>nd</sup> reporting period. Their ADA went from 87.02% to 90.41%.

The previous school years district ADA percentages are below:

**Reporting Period 2 Comparisons**

School Year	Attendance Percentage
2018	96.64%
2017	96.45%
2016	96.91%
2015	96.19%
2014	96.36%
2013	96.54%

Pre-K had the highest ADA % at 97.34%, followed by 6<sup>th</sup> grade with 97.00%. 12<sup>th</sup> grade had the lowest ADA % at 95.38%, followed by 10<sup>th</sup> grade with 95.99%.

The truancy prevention measures used in Reporting Period 2 include, but are not limited to; automated phone calls, flyers, student and parent communications, warning letters (4,392), **online truancy class completions** (911), in-person truancy class referrals (681), attendance contracts (386), campus consequences (342), home visits (37), truancy officer referrals (26), court referrals and court contempts (7). Denton ISD campuses have provided over **6,782** truancy prevention measures in this 2<sup>nd</sup> Reporting Period.

Denton ISD campuses had **31,205** unfunded absences in the 2<sup>nd</sup> reporting period. Elementary School had 8,905 excused absences and 5,344 unexcused absences. Middle School had 3,933 excused absences and 2,460 unexcused absences. High School had 8,905 excused absences and 5,344 unexcused absences.