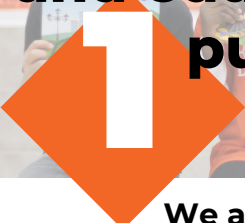


# Aledo ISD Legislative Priorities



## Support Texas students and educators by funding public schools

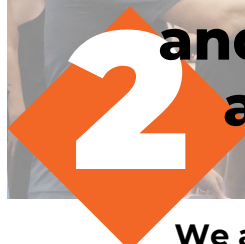


**We advocate** that the state funds Aledo ISD to address the escalated costs to educate our children and to close the funding gaps that have caused districts to reduce services and student programming.

- **We ask** that members of the State Legislature adjust the level of public school funding that they set in 2019 in House Bill 3 for inflation (20+% since 2019).
- **We ask** that the State Legislature adopt an automatic inflationary adjustment to state public school funding to protect against future funding shortfalls caused by inflation.



## Protect the rights of local parents and citizens to make decisions about their local public schools and to hold them accountable.



**We advocate** that the state recognize that the expectations, priorities, and needs of each community are unique, and leave decision-making and accountability related to schools in the hands of local Aledo ISD parents and taxpayers.

- **We ask** that, in a way that meets the high expectations of the Aledo ISD community, the district is given the ability to have flexibility in instructional planning, resources, and implementation to lead students into the 21st century.
- **We ask** that the Aledo ISD community be able to make instructional decisions locally, rather than increasing the size and scope of control of the Texas Education Agency to make statewide instructional decisions.
- **We ask** that State Legislators hear and act on the request of the Aledo ISD community that performance on a state-mandated standardized test that a child takes on one day (STAAR) not be permitted to serve as the primary indicator of a child's, school's or district's success.
- **We ask** that the Aledo ISD community be able to choose - between the two uniform election dates in May and November - when to hold local elections.
- **We ask** that the Aledo ISD community be able to determine if, when and how students who do not reside in Aledo ISD are permitted to transfer into our schools.



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### Annual State funding vs. Budgeted Expenditures | The Cost of Running Aledo ISD



#### SAFETY + SECURITY

24-25 Annual Budget  
**\$1,156,926**

Annual Funding by State  
**\$258,176**

Remaining Necessary Cost:  
**\$898,750**



#### TRANSPORTATION

24-25 Annual Budget  
**\$3,944,043**

Annual Funding by State  
**\$627,207**

Remaining Necessary Cost:  
**\$3,316,836**



#### SPECIAL EDUCATION

24-25 Annual Budget  
**\$9,604,040**

Annual Funding by State + Federal Government  
**\$7,563,845**

Remaining Necessary Cost:  
**\$2,040,195**

### The Impact of Inflation on Aledo ISD

**168.6%**  
\$281K



Annual Gas Cost (23-24)

**\$447,774**

**329.4%**  
\$1.2M



Annual Property Insurance Cost (23-24)

**\$1,570,177**

**58.2%**  
\$896K



Annual Utilities Cost (23-24)

**\$2,435,580**

Increase from 2019-2020 to 2023-2024

