

**Ector County Independent School District
Odessa, Texas**

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Tom Crowe, Superintendent of Schools
SUBJECT: **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE A-F ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM FOR TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS**
DATE: January 17, 2017

House Bill 2804, passed by the 84th Texas Legislature in 2015:

- requires the commissioner of education, beginning with the 2017-18 school year, to assign each district and campus an overall performance rating based on an A-F scale
- mandates that the commissioner also assign to each district and campus a separate letter grade for each of the five domains
- requires the letter rating to be assigned by August 15 of each year thereafter
- states that a letter rating of A, B, or C is considered acceptable, and a rating of D or F is considered unacceptable
- prevents districts from receiving an overall or domain rating of A if any campus in the district has received a corresponding domain or overall letter grade of D or F

The Resolution Concerning the A-F Accountability Rating System for Texas Public Schools calls on the Texas Legislature to repeal the A-F letter-grade school/district rating system to be implemented in 2017-18 and to develop a community-based accountability system.

Request for Approval of a Resolution Concerning the A-F Accountability Rating System for Texas Public Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Crowe
Superintendent of Schools