

**ECTOR COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Odessa, Texas**

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Hector Mendez, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: BILINGUAL/ESL ANNUAL REVIEW AND MIGRANT PROGRAM UPDATE

DATE: October 26, 2010

Each year, a review of the District Bilingual/ESL program, is an opportunity to share the program's successes and challenges. A tremendous amount of work went into the program last year. The efforts did pay off in the short term, and TPM assisted the district tremendously. However, with TPM's future in question, it is important that the district bilingual/ESL program fully address the needs of English Language learners at a deep level. Through a collaborative approach, ECISD has engaged principals, assistant principals, and teacher leaders in the establishment of the district's bilingual philosophy. The exciting work of building the program has begun and will be shared. The same process has begun for English Language learner support at the secondary level, and that information will be shared.

No action required.

Fifteen Migrant secondary students were afforded the opportunity to participate in the Experience in Democracy Leadership Conference on June 20-25, 2010 in Washington, D. C. Migrant specialist, Aurora Dominguez and participants will share a report on the highlights of their learning experience. Culminating with a short video presentation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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