



## Agenda of Special Board Meeting

### The Board of Trustees McAllen Independent School District

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<b>VISION</b>	The McAllen Independent School District is a multicultural community in which students are enthusiastically and actively engaged in the learning process. Students demonstrate academic excellence in a safe, nurturing and challenging environment enhanced by technology and the contributions of the total community.
<b>MISSION</b>	The mission of the McAllen Independent School District is to educate all students to become lifelong learners and productive citizens in a global society through a program of educational excellence utilizing technology and actively involving parents and the community.
<b>GOALS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Student Achievement/Student Focus</li><li>2. People Development</li><li>3. Facility Priorities</li><li>4. Financial Priorities</li></ol>
<b>STRATEGIES</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Branding</li><li>2. Attract/Retain High Quality Staff</li><li>3. Engaging Learning Environment</li><li>4. Rigorous/World Class Standards to Customize for Every Learner</li><li>5. Partnerships with Business/Civic/Education/Organizations</li><li>6. Future Ready Students</li><li>7. Financial Priorities</li></ol>

A Special Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the McAllen Independent School District will be held Monday, March 22, 2021, beginning at 5:30 PM Texas Our Texas room/Staff Development Building, Achieve Early College High School, 1601 North 27th Street, McAllen, TX 78501.

Due to health and safety concerns related to COVID-19 coronavirus, this meeting will be conducted by video conference on the following site <https://www.mcallenisd.org/page/school-board-meetings>. At least a quorum of the Board will be participating in person at the Texas our Texas room/Staff Development Building at Achieve Early College High School, 1601 North 27th, McAllen, TX 78501 in accordance with the provisions of Section 555.127 of the Texas Government Code.

Public comments related to this meeting will be handled as follows: Public comments may be made in person subject to social distancing requirements at the Texas our Texas room/Staff Development Building at Achieve Early College High School, 1601 North 27th, McAllen, TX 78501, by use of the following video conference site: <https://www.mcallenisd.org/page/school-board-meetings> or by telephone call to the following number 956 618-6094.

Items listed on this agenda may be taken in an order other than as shown on this agenda. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

At this meeting there may be discussion and action by the Board on the item(s) and subject(s) listed as follows:

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
3. **INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES**
  - A) Recognition of Regional Braille Competition Item Submitted: Dr. Rosalba De Hoyos, Assistant Superintendent Instructional Services 5  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - B) Recognition of Texas Music Educators Association All-State Music Students Item Submitted: Dr. Rosalba De Hoyos, Assistant Superintendent Instructional Services 6  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - C) MISD Creative Mind Art Challenge & RGV Visual Arts Contest Students Item Submitted: Dr. Rosalba De Hoyos, Assistant Superintendent Instructional Services 7  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
4. **ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**
  - A) Recognition of James "Nikki" Rowe High School Football Team Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department 8  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - B) Recognition of James "Nikki" Rowe High School Cheerleading Team Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department 9  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - C) Recognition of James "Nikki" Rowe High School Swim Team Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department 10  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - D) Recognition of James "Nikki" Rowe High School Girls Basketball Team Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Director 11  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - E) Recognition of James "Nikki" Rowe High School Boys Basketball Team Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department 12  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - F) Recognition of McAllen Memorial High School Football Team Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Athletic Director 13  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - G) Recognition of McAllen Memorial High School Cheerleading Team Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department 14  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
  - H) Recognition of McAllen Memorial High School Swim Team Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department 15  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
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- J) Recognition of McAllen High School Cheerleading Team 17  
Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
- K) Recognition of McAllen High School Swim Team 18  
Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
- L) Recognition of McAllen High School Boys Basketball Team 19  
Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
- M) Proclamation of National Athletic Trainers Month March 2021 20  
Item Submitted: Paula Gonzalez, Director Athletic Department  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
5. **DISTRICT OPERATIONS**
- A) Approval of Proclamation Regarding "Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness" (March 26, 2021) 21  
Item Submitted: Arely Benavides, Assistant Superintendent District Operations  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
6. **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION:** Board of Trustees may go into Closed Session pursuant to Section(s) 551.071, 551.072, and 551.074 Texas Government Code, to discuss the following:
- A) Director of College/Career/Counseling
- B) Chief of Police
7. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**
8. **ACTION ON ITEM(S) IN CLOSED SESSION**
- A) Approval of the Director of College/Career/Counseling 24  
Item Submitted: Todd Miller, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
- B) Approval of the Police Chief 25  
Item Submitted: Todd Miller, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources  
**Presenter:** Dr. J. A. Gonzalez, Superintendent
9. **ADJOURNMENT**

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*If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.*

*The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on March 12, 2021 at 4:30 P.M.*

*Natalia Goza  
For the Board of Trustees*

**BOARD RECOGNITION FORM**  
**McALLEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Meeting Date (Recommended):** March 22, 2021

**Title of Recognition:**

**Photographer Requested:** Yes

**AV needs:** None

**Approved for Recognition:** \_\_\_\_\_



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Mar 10, 2021

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**BOARD AGENDA REPORT  
MCALLEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**MEETING DATE:** March 22, 2021 \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Proclamation Regarding National Athletic Trainers Month (March 2021)

**REFERENCE:** Goal 1: Student Achievement/Student Focus

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/REASON FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:** To proclaim March as Athletic Trainers Month and to raise awareness of the importance they play throughout our school district and community.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS/FACTS AND ANALYSIS:** N/A

**LEGAL REVIEW:** None required

**BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:** None required

**RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:** That the Board of Trustees approve the Proclamation Regarding National Athletic Trainers Month 2021.

**SUBMITTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPERVISOR:** *Paula Gonzalez* \_\_\_\_\_

For further information contact:  
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Office: (956) 618-6089  
eMail: paula.gonzalez@mcallsisd.net

**Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:**

*J. Alexander*

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**Superintendent of Schools**

**BOARD AGENDA REPORT  
MCALLEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**MEETING DATE:** March 22, 2021

**SUBMITTED BY:** *Elizabeth Gutierrez RN*  
Elizabeth Gutierrez RN (Mar 9, 2021 16:54 CST)

**SUPERVISOR:** *Arely Benavides*  
Arely Benavides (Mar 10, 2021 17:26 CST)

**Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:**

*J. X. O'Sullivan*

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**BOARD AGENDA REPORT  
MCALLEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**MEETING DATE:** March 22, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Proclamation Regarding "Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness" (March 26, 2021)

**REFERENCE:** Goal 1: Student Achievement/Student Focus

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/REASON FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:**

McAllen ISD has designated Friday, March 26, 2021 as Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness Day. All staff and students are encouraged to wear "purple" to raise awareness. Epilepsy is the most common neurological condition affecting children, and the second most common neurological condition affecting adults; epilepsy affects more than 50 million people worldwide, more than 300,000 people in Canada and 3,500 people in the Capital Regional District.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS/FACTS AND ANALYSIS:**

N/A

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

None required.

**BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:**

None required.

**RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:**

That the Board of Trustees approve the Proclamation Regarding "Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness" ( March 26, 2021).

**SUBMITTED BY:** *Elizabeth Gutierrez RN*  
Elizabeth Gutierrez RN (Mar 9, 2021 16:54 CST)

**SUPERVISOR:** *Arely Benavides*  
Arely Benavides (Mar 10, 2021 17:26 CST)

For further information contact:  
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Office: (956) 632-3275  
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*J. X. Douglas*

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**Superintendent of Schools**

# Proclamation

*State of Texas*  
*County of Hidalgo*  
*McAllen Independent School District*



*Whereas*, March 26<sup>th</sup> is Purple Day. It is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world; and

*Whereas*, Epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, estimated to affect more than 50 million people worldwide and more than 3 million people in the United States, including 135 students in McAllen ISD, and

*Whereas*, the McAllen Independent School District has designated Friday, March 26, 2021 as “Purple Day.”

*Therefore*, be it resolved “Purple Day” urges everyone in the McAllen Independent School District to wear purple on Friday, March 26, 2021.

*Now Therefore*, I, Daniel D. Vela, Member, Board of Trustees of the McAllen Independent School District do hereby proclaim Friday, March 26, 2021 as:

## “Purple Day”

I call upon all residents to support this initiative in an effort to bring awareness to increase understanding, reduce stigma and improve the quality of life for people with Epilepsy throughout the country and globally.

*IN WITNESS WHERE OF*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the McAllen Independent School District to be affixed on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Daniel D. Vela, Member, Board of Trustees  
McAllen Independent School District

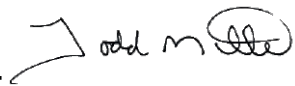
*Attest:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Marco Suarez, Member, Board of Trustees  
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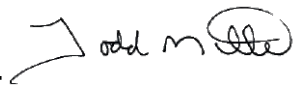


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