



November 4, 2025
Called Meeting
Dr. Jim Vaszauskas Center for the Performing Arts
1110 W. Debbie Lane
Mansfield, TX 76063
6:00 PM

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1. **Call to Order**
 2. **Roll Call**
 3. **Public Comments**
 1. The correct procedure for addressing the Board during Public Comments is as follows:
Each speaker should address the Board from the podium microphone and state his or her name before speaking. All speakers will be limited to three minutes to make comments regarding items on the agenda, unless modified by the Board president based on Board Policy BED (LOCAL). Copies of presentations should be made available to all trustees and the Superintendent. Board policy prohibits the discussion of complaints against district employees during an open forum.
 4. **Closed Session**
 1. Adjourn to closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel, to deliberate regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, 551.071, Consultation with the Board's attorney; 551.072, real property; and 551.076 to conduct deliberations regarding security devices or security audits.
 2. Discussion Regarding Superintendent Search
 3. Discussion Regarding Superintendent's Retirement
 5. **Discussion**
 1. Board Scorecard
 2. Board Member Committees 2025-2026
 6. **Consent Agenda**
 1. Consideration and Approval of the First Reading of FDA (LOCAL) and FDB (LOCAL) 3
 7. **Adjourn**
 1. Adjourn

Dr. Kimberley Cantu
Superintendent of Schools
Posted on _____ at _____

(Date)

(Time)



**Board of School Trustees
Mansfield Independent School District**

TITLE: Consideration and Approval of The First Reading of
MISD Policies: FDA (LOCAL) and FDB (LOCAL)

DATE: November 4, 2025

ACTION

BACKGROUND:

MISD is a member of the Texas Association of School Boards and as part of our service agreement; we either receive their policy recommendations or send our policy recommendations for our Legal and Local policies. The TASB policy service periodically provides Legal and Local policy updates, which reflect changes in education law and rule.

CONSIDERATIONS:

MISD Update Recommended Policy Changes

FDA (LOCAL)
FDB (LOCAL)

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends approval of the first reading of the policy updates.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

If the Board desires to approve this action item, an appropriate motion would be: *“Move to approve the first reading of the Policy Updates as presented.”*

Authority

The Superintendent is authorized to accept or reject any transfer requests, provided that such action is without regard to race, religion, color, sex, disability, national origin, or ancestral language.

Transfer Requests

A nonresident student wishing to transfer into the District shall file an application for transfer ~~each school year~~ with the Superintendent ~~by the deadline posted~~. ~~Transfers shall be granted for one regular school year at a time~~. Applications will be considered ~~only~~ for schools or programs listed for eligibility ~~each January~~. Students are ~~not~~ eligible to apply for a Specialized Choice Program ~~if capacity remains in the program to which the student has requested a transfer after resident and employee children have been considered~~.

Factors

In approving transfers ~~in the District~~, the Superintendent shall consider the availability of space and the criteria posted for the student's grades, state testing standards, reading levels, disciplinary history, and attendance records, which the parent or guardian must supply in full before transfer consideration.

~~Further, a transfer approval shall be based on the following criteria for consideration:~~

- ~~1. The building capacity of the school to which the student has requested a transfer;~~
- ~~2. The current enrollment of the receiving school;~~
- ~~3. The growth projections of the receiving school;~~
- ~~4. Teacher allocations;~~
- ~~5. Class size;~~
- ~~6. Instructional programs at the assigned school;~~
- ~~7. Extraordinary family considerations; and~~
- ~~8. Other reasons deemed appropriate by the Superintendent or designee.~~

*Resident
Becoming a
Nonresident*

A resident student who becomes a nonresident during the course of a grading period shall be permitted to continue in attendance for the remainder of the ~~school-year~~ ~~semester grading period~~.

*Resident Senior
Becoming a
Nonresident*

~~A resident senior student who becomes a nonresident and has enough credits to graduate by the end of the school year shall be permitted to continue in attendance for the remainder of the school year. Such students who become nonresidents may be charged a daily tuition rate.~~

*Children of
District
Employees*

A child of a District employee may transfer from outside the District to the attendance zone feeder pattern in which the employee works. The intradistrict child of district employees has the same rights as a district resident student.

Approved Transfers

An approved transfer shall remain in effect for all grade levels at the approved campus for children of a District employee, provided that the parent is a full-time employee, space for additional students is available at the receiving campus, and all information provided at the time of the transfer request remains accurate.

A student under this provision shall be considered a transfer student and shall be subject to revocation for any reason listed in this policy.

Transportation

The District shall not be provide transportation to students on inter-district transfers.

~~Eligibility of Children
of District
Employees~~

~~A child of a District employee, who has an option to attend a different high school within the district based upon the employment location (see above), rather than attending the assigned school according to attendance zones, shall be eligible for all levels of UIL and extracurricular activities at the school approved if he or she transfers at the first opportunity.~~

~~If a student subsequently transfers to another school, the student shall not be eligible for UIL and extracurricular activities until he or she has been in and regularly attended that school for at least the previous calendar year.~~

District Rezoning

When the District implements a school attendance zone change, the students are deemed eligible for UIL participation at the varsity level in the new attendance zone, if the Board allows for a student to attend the new school early. The student must declare and attend at his or her first opportunity.

~~Deadlines for
Transfer
Consideration~~

~~Transfer requests for the upcoming school year must be received no later than April 1. Transfers shall not be valid between any District campuses.~~ The decision of the Superintendent or designee shall be considered final.

The Superintendent or designee may assign any student from one school facility or classroom within the District to another facility or classroom within the District.

Transfer
Agreements

A transfer student shall be notified in the written transfer agreement that he or she must follow all rules and regulations of the District. Violation of the terms of the agreement may result in a **revocation of the transfer request not being approved the following year.**

A student under this provision shall be considered a transfer student and shall be subject to revocation for any reasons listed in this policy.

**Transfer for
Students Receiving
Special Education
Services**

A student receiving special education services, not subject to reassignment pursuant to a decision by an admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) committee, shall satisfy the conditions under which transfers may be allowed pursuant to this policy. The individualized education program (IEP) of a student receiving special education services who transfers under this policy shall indicate that a transfer was approved, resulting in the student receiving services in a location other than the home campus.

**Revocation of
Transfer**

Student transfers may be revoked under the following conditions:

1. The transfer student seeks to return to the out-of-district campus that serves his or her attendance area.
2. The student is on an employee transfer and the employee does not maintain employment in the District.

Tuition

If the District charges tuition, the amount shall be set by the Board, within statutory limits.

Waivers

The Board may waive tuition for a student based on financial hardship upon written application by the student, parent, or guardian.
[See FP]

Nonpayment

The District may initiate withdrawal of students whose tuition payments are delinquent.

Assignments

A student shall be assigned to the campus designated by the residence of the parent or legal guardian in accordance with Board-adopted attendance zones.

The Superintendent or designee shall assign students to schools according to attendance areas and shall reassign students to conform to any changes in attendance areas. When student reassignment is deemed necessary by the Superintendent or designee, the parent(s) or guardian of each student reassigned shall be notified individually in writing.

Enrollment shall take place at the campus of assignment. Regardless of where or with whom the student resides, if either parent or guardian lives within the District, the campus of assignment shall be determined by the parent's or legal guardian's permanent place of residency.

**Criteria for
Considering
Intradistrict Transfer
Requests**

A student who wishes to attend a school other than as assigned shall obtain prior approval from the Superintendent or designee.

Efforts shall be made at the elementary level, due to the unique needs of elementary age students, to provide the parent a choice of schools where space is available, according to District guidelines.

A request for an intradistrict transfer shall be made in writing to the Superintendent or designee using procedures and timelines approved by the Superintendent.

Factors

Each request for an intradistrict transfer shall be based on the individual needs of the student. In evaluating a request for transfer, the following criteria shall be considered:

1. The building capacity of the school to which the student has requested a transfer;
2. The current enrollment of both the assigned school and the receiving school;
3. The growth projections of the receiving school;
4. Teacher allocations;
5. Class size;
6. Instructional programs available at both the assigned school and the receiving school;
7. Extraordinary family considerations;
8. The student's academic, discipline, and attendance history;
9. The likelihood that the transfer would violate University Interscholastic League (UIL) rules; and

10. Other reasons deemed appropriate by the Superintendent or designee.

Transportation convenience or peer social relationships shall not be considered reasons for the Superintendent or designee to reassign an individual student.

An intradistrict transfer that requires a change in classroom space or staff at either school shall not be approved.

Approved Transfers

An approved transfer shall remain in effect for all grade levels at the approved campus, provided that the parent's or legal guardian's permanent place of residence is maintained within the District, and all information provided at the time of the transfer request remains accurate.

A student under this provision shall be considered a transfer student and shall be subject to revocation for any reasons listed in this policy.

Transportation

The District shall not be required to provide transportation to students on intradistrict transfers.

**Deadlines for
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Consideration**

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The Superintendent or designee may assign any student from one school facility or classroom within the District to another facility or classroom within the District.

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Transfer Limits A student transfer may be requested only one time per school year.

Relocating Students A student who moves to another attendance zone during the school year may apply to continue at the current campus for the remainder of the school year, provided there are no discipline, attendance, or transportation problems.

~~A student who moves to another attendance zone during the school year shall not be eligible in subsequent years for an intra-district transfer back to the student's previous school unless otherwise required by law.~~

A student residing in school zone A on the first day of school and planning to move to school zone B during the first 45 days of the school year may apply to the Superintendent or designee for permission to register in school zone B for the complete year.

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**Revocation of
Transfer**

Student transfers may be revoked under the following conditions:

1. The transfer student seeks to return to the campus that serves his or her attendance area.
2. The transfer student fails to maintain satisfactory attendance and satisfactory passing standards and/or fails to abide by all laws, rules, and policies contained in the Student Code of Conduct and the student handbook. If the student exhibits behavior that causes the principal or the principal's designee to take action, as specified in the Student Code of Conduct or the student handbook, the principal may request that the Superintendent or designee revoke the transfer.
3. The student ceases to be enrolled in a special course that has been cited as the reason for the application to transfer.

4. The student is on an employee transfer and the employee does not maintain employment in the District.

Note: For the transfer of a student who is the victim of bullying or who engaged in bullying, see FDB(LEGAL). For the transfer of a student who attends a persistently dangerous school, becomes a victim of a violent criminal offense, or becomes a victim of sexual assault, see FDE.
