



# SANTA MARIA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING ON SCHOOL FIRST of the Board of Trustees  
Wednesday, December 10, 2025

6:00 PM

Notice is hereby given that a PUBLIC HEARING ON SCHOOL FIRST of the Board of Trustees of Santa Maria Independent School District will be held on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM. This meeting will be held at the Santa Maria ISD Cafeteria, 11119 Military Road, Santa Maria, TX 78592.

The Santa Maria Independent School District offers reasonable accommodations for persons accessing its school facilities, as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you require special accommodations, please contact Ida Torres, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, at (956) 565-6308 for assistance.

**CALL TO ORDER**  
**ESTABLISH QUORUM**  
**PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE**  
**OPEN FORUM**

The Board shall allot no more than 30 minutes to hear persons who desire to make comments to the Board. However, no one presentation shall exceed three minutes. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. At regular Board meetings, a person may speak on any topic, regardless of whether the topic is an item on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. At all other Board meetings, the topics for discussion are limited to only agenda items. Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person addressing the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively through resolution channels established by policy.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON SCHOOL FIRST, FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM**

A Public Hearing on the School First, Financial Accountability Rating System will be held Santa Maria ISD Cafeteria located at 11119 Military Rd., Santa Maria, Texas 78592.

Any taxpayer of the district may be present and participate in the Hearing. [Policy CE (Legal) / CE (Local)]

**1. Public Hearing Rules:**

- 1) Any taxpayer may participate in the public hearing.**
- 2) Taxpayers who desire to address the Board of Trustees on the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas report should give their names to Mrs. Ida Torres, Administrative Assistant.**
- 3) The Board of Trustees and employees may not respond to comments made by taxpayers.**
- 4) Taxpayers comments must be limited to the Financial Integrity System of Texas Presentation/Report.**

**2. Agenda:**

- 1) Call the Public Hearing meeting to order.**

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Santa Maria Independent School District

PUBLIC HEARING ON SCHOOL FIRST of the Board, Wednesday, December 10, 2025

It is the policy of Santa Maria ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap, in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation act of 1973, as amended.

“An Equal Opportunity Employer”

**2) Overview of Schools FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas).**

**3) Santa Maria ISD Rating**

**4) Public Comments on report.**

**5) Adjournment.**

**No action will be taken by the Board of Trustees during this Public Hearing.**

**This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on Thursday, December 4, 2025.**

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Javier E. Jimenez, Jr.  
Board President

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Joseph R. Villarreal, ED. D.  
Superintendent of Schools

This notice has been publicly posted at the administrative offices of the Santa Maria Independent School District, 11119 Military Rd., Cameron County, Santa Maria, Texas, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the above mentioned meeting, as required by the following sections of the Texas Government Code: 551.071 through 551.084. During the regular school year, this notice is also posted in all schools in the District. The school district also posts its board meeting agendas on the District's internet web site ([www.smisd.net](http://www.smisd.net))

Consent Agenda: All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Trustees and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired on a specific item(s), that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

**Board of Trustees**

**Javier E. Jimenez, Jr., President**  
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