

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE LEWISVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGARDING SCHOOL FUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Texas has a historic \$33B surplus; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature of the State of Texas did not fulfill their duty in the 88th Legislative Session as required by the Texas Constitution to make suitable provision for an efficient system of free and public schools;

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature of the State of Texas has not made any adjustments to the Basic Allotment since 2019 thus resulting in no funding from the 88th legislative session for teacher pay raises and inflationary costs; and

**WHEREAS**, per pupil spending in Texas should not be referred to with Tier II enrichment pennies or with I&S funding because those funds are approved by local voters and bond funds cannot be used to address everyday operating expenses such as teacher salaries and

**WHEREAS**, during the prior legislative sessions unfunded state mandates continue to increase stretching school district budgets for example, requirements related to full day PreK and safety and security; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lewisville Independent School District is facing a \$17.5M deficit,

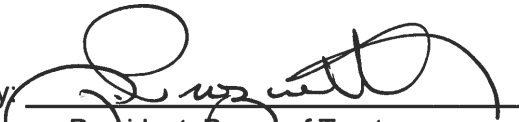
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that:

The following guiding principles aligned to the district mission and cornerstones will be utilized in making decisions on how to address the deficit budget:

- a. Student Learning
  - i. Protect quality of the learning environment and instruction
  - ii. Safety and Security of students and staff
- b. Student Experience:
  - i. Minimize negative impacts to students
  - ii. Be intentional in the opportunities and pathways for students to be successful
- c. Community Engagement:
  - i. Maximizing your local tax dollars (VATRE) in the absence of state funding from the legislature.
  - ii. Advocating for the legislature to fulfill their constitutional duty of funding of public schools as a partner to local community funding and understanding their economic impact to Denton County when public schools are not funded

- iii. Protecting and preserving the intellectual capital and expertise that has built the systems of LISD to be the exceptional provider of education in our community.
- d. Resource stewardship
  - i. Increasing efficiency of course offerings and electives as overall student enrollment is stabilizing
  - ii. Right-sizing facilities to enrollment/creating levels of efficiencies for buildings
  - iii. Maintain current levels of compensation for staff (should Legislature increase Basic Allotment address compensation)
  - iv. Do our best to make any reductions through attrition as certification allows.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LEWISVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, this 18th day of March, 2024.

By:   
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President, Board of Trustees

Attest:   
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Secretary, Board of Trustees