

FBISD Board Leadership Academy 2024-2025 Cohort

Opening Retreat



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Scent**

**Neck of the
Woods**

BLA Cohort Member Name



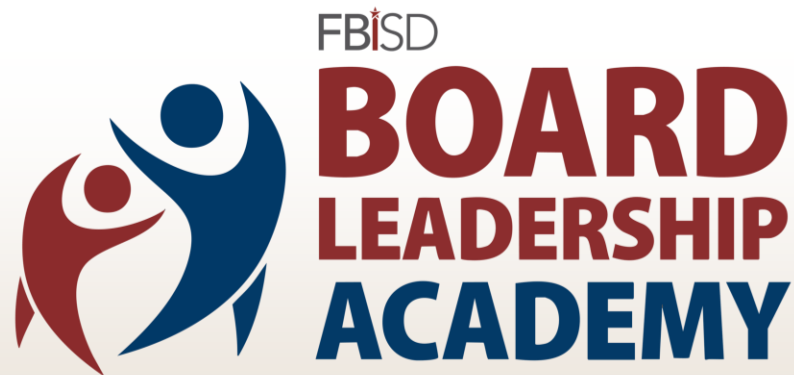
**Forever
FBISD
Activity**

**Vacation
Destination**

FBISD Board of Trustees



Introductions



Opening Retreat OBJECTIVES

★ Objective 1: Board Leadership Academy

What is the purpose of the FBISD Board Leadership Academy?
Who are members of the Board Leadership Academy? – Getting to Know You

★ Objective 2: Intro to School Board Operations

How does the District operate? Legislative Priorities, Vision & Planning
What is the Role of the School Board?

★ Objective 3: Advocacy

How can Board Leadership Academy members be advocates for our students?

Team Building Activity #1

Penny for Your Thoughts

Discussion Prompt 1:

What was occurring in your life professionally or personally during the year marked on your penny?

Discussion Prompt 2:

What was your favorite song or TV show during the year marked on your penny?

Discussion Prompt 3:

What was occurring nationally or internationally during the year marked on your penny and how did it impact you and/or your family?

FBISD Board Leadership Academy

The Fort Bend ISD Leadership Academy provides an in-depth inside look at FBISD for community members seeking to become informed leaders and advocates for our students. This six-month program is designed to be educational, engaging, and enriching for cohort members, as they are immersed in a variety of topics related to FBISD.

- 11/7 **Session One** - School Budget and Finance
- 12/6 **FBISD Road Trip "Around the Bend"**
- 1/30 **Session Two** - Assessment & Accountability
- Feb. **Day Trip – Capitol Visit**
- 3/20 **Session Three** - Curriculum & Instruction, Technology
- 4/24 **Session Four** - Community Engagement & Graduation

BLA Cohort Norms



Table Talk Activity #1



Discussion Prompts

- Why did you want to be part of the BLA?
- What are you looking forward to about the sessions we have planned for you?
- Is there anything not included in the BLA sessions schedule that you want to hear more about in the upcoming months?

The Role of the School Board



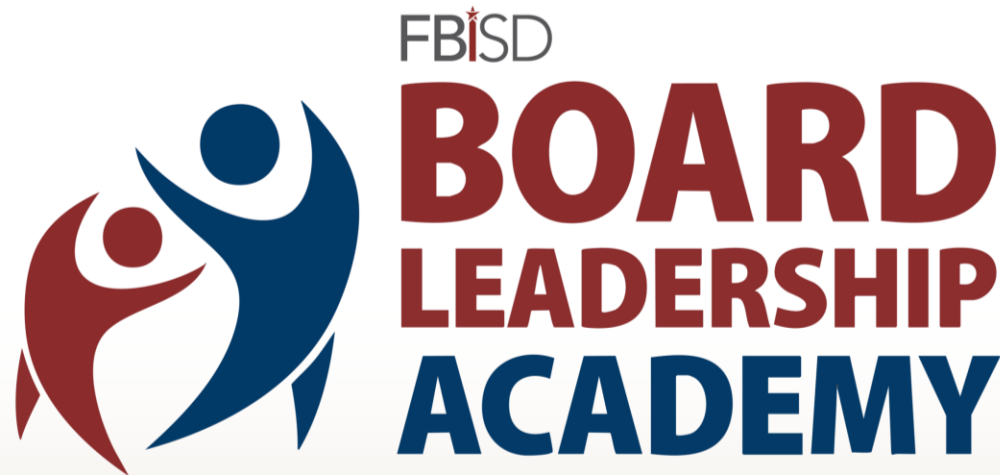
Table Talk Activity #2

Board Member Roles and Responsibilities Poster Gallery Walk



- Read your statement placard to determine which question it relates to and then move to that corresponding poster.
- Engage in a discussion with the other members at the poster based on the prompt.
- Identify the number of the next question in the bottom right-hand corner.
- As a group rotate to the next poster and then engage in a discussion based on the prompt.
- Continue until you've visited all posters or time called.

Lunch and Group Photo



Advocacy 101



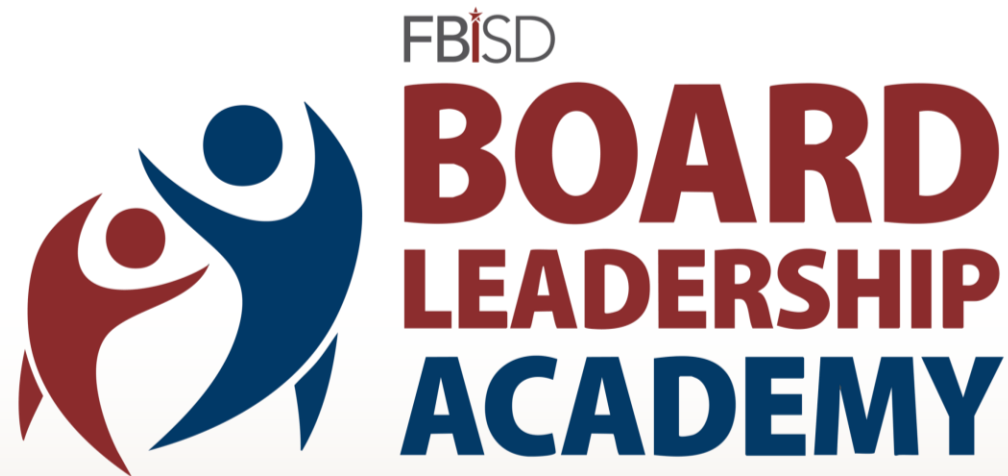
Table Talk Activity #3

Advocacy Activity – Past, Present, Future Reflection



Past	Present	Future
What issues related to public education have you been passionate about in the past? How have you advocated for those issues? Were you successful?	What issues related to public education are you currently passionate about? How are you currently advocating for those issues? What strategies seem to work best? Least?	Which of the FBISD Board Legislative Priorities aligns with your passion for public education? How can you foresee yourself advocating for those issues?

Vision & Planning Process



Q & A

Wrap Up & Survey

Reminders:

- Please check your email provided to FBISD for email updates and calendar appointments
- BLA Members are expected to attend all full-day workshops and 2 of the 4 sessions to complete the program
- BLA Members must attend at least () school board meetings before April 2025 to complete the program.

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Survey



THANK YOU

