# FBISD LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR THE 89TH SESSION OF

THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE

# SCHOOL FUNDING

#### SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING

Ensure school districts receive adequate funding to serve students who have the need for high intensity and specialty services in Special Education.

#### PREK FUNDING

Fully fund PreK students at a full-day Average Daily Attendance (ADA). Currently PreK students do not qualify for full-day ADA.

#### **BASIC ALLOTMENT**

Adjust the basic allotment with an automatic factor for inflation so legislative action is not required to keep up with the rate of inflation.

#### FAST GROWTH, NEW INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITIES, AND GT ALLOTMENTS

Fund these allotments at a level that avoids the need to prorate the allocation as more districts qualify.

# SAFETY AND PRIVACY IN SCHOOLS

#### SCHOOL SAFETY ALLOTMENT

Adjust the school safety allotment to provide adequate funding for armed personnel on all campuses.

#### MANDATORY DISCIPLINARY ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM (DAEP) FOR VAPING

Repeal House Bill 114 (88th Regular Session) regarding mandatory DAEP placement for vaping/e-cigarettes.

#### **PROTECT STUDENT IDENTITY**

Eliminate the requirement of school districts to submit students' social security numbers in Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS).

### **COMMUNITY TRANSPARENCY**

#### **BALLOT LANGUAGE CLARITY**

Revise required ballot language for ISD bond and voter-approved tax ratification propositions to provide for honest and accurate descriptions of the measure.

#### PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT, NONBUSINESS DAYS

Revise the Public Information Act to allow public school districts to increase the number of nonbusiness days from 10 to a number sufficient to match the nonbusiness days on the ISD's instructional calendar as adopted by the Board of Trustees.

#### FBÍSD AT A GLANCE **ENROLLMENT BY ETHNICITY** 25 Title I Schools <u>Campuses</u> 28% Black/African American 27% Asian Largest employer in Fort Bend County with **79,000+** STUDENTS 27% Hispani 12,900+ EMPLOYEES 13% White The **\$6,160 BASIC** ALLOTMENT has stayed flat since 2019, while inflation rose over 23%. One of the most diverse school districts in 50%

# the nation with families speaking more than **90 LANGUAGES**

5,494 GT Students

of our students are

economically-disadvantaged

2,168 Pre-K Enrollment

serving over **15,000** 

ESL, Bilingual and Alternative Language Program Students

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