

**AMENDMENT TO CALALLEN ISD INNOVATION PLAN ORIGINALLY  
APPROVED BY BOARD, FEBRUARY 13, 2017  
AMENDED JANUARY 21, 2020, MARCH 13, 2020, and TBD JUNE 14, 2021**

Area of Innovation:

Within our current local innovation plan, with regard to each area of innovation, the District declares exemption from the listed statutory provisions, as well as any implementing rules or regulations promulgated pursuant to those statutory provisions by any state agency or entity, including but not limited to the Commissioner of Education, Texas Education Agency, State Board for Educator Certification, and State Board of Education.

Calallen ISD has determined a need to apply for two additional amendments to our District Innovation Plan to allow exemptions providing extended flexibility under:

## **Inter-District Student Transfers**

*(TEC §25.036) (FDA LEGAL, FDA LOCAL)*

### **Currently**

*Under Texas Education Code 25.001, a district may choose to accept, as transfers, students who are not entitled to enroll in the district. Under TEC 25.036, a transfer is interpreted to be for a period of one school year and mid-year revocation is not permitted based on student discipline, attendance, or academic performance. Being granted a transfer to the district is a privilege and not a right; however, the district currently cannot remove transfer students based on failure to meet expected standards.*

### **Proposed**

Nonresident students who have been accepted as inter-district transfers may have such transfer status revoked by the Superintendent at any time during the school year if the student is assigned discipline consequences of suspension (in or out of school), placement in a disciplinary alternative program, or expulsion. Students that fail to meet the districts academic performance standards as well as meet the state's 90% attendance standard for a course may also be subject to immediate revocation of the transfer status.

## **School District Depositories Contract**

*(TEC §45.205, §45.206) (BDAE LEGAL, CDA LEGAL and CDA LOCAL)*

### **Currently**

*Currently, the District must renew its depository contract every two years. The two-year contract term begins and ends in odd-numbered years. In accordance with the Texas Education Code, the District must use a uniform bid or proposal blank in the form prescribed by the State Board of Education*

### **Proposed**

The District is seeking an exemption from TEC 45.205 and 45.206. By gaining exemption from these statutes, CISD would be able to allow the district's existing bank contract to be extended beyond the total 6-year allowable contract term if the district determines contract pricing remains competitive and there is no operational or financial reason to send the district's banking services out to bid. This exemption would lessen the administrative burden related to preparing and reviewing a Request for Proposal (RFP). In addition, this would further mitigate any impact to employees that would have to alter their direct deposit instructions and afford district flexibility with respect to local banking relationships. At the end of each two year term, the District and the depository bank may agree to extend the contract for an additional two year period. The District must review the contract to ensure the best value and support for the District and obtain Board approval for each extension and contract renewal. This exemption does not hinder the District's ability to release a formal procurement for depository contract services, in lieu of negotiating an extension to the existing bank contract, if deemed necessary based on operational or financial reasons.

## **Calallen ISD District of Innovation Continuation for 2022-2027**

The district is also in the process of reviewing its current District of Innovation plan for possible renewal. If approved, the new DOI plan will include the above mentioned amendments.