



# SAN FELIPE DEL RIO CISD

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## **VAL VERDE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN ORGANIZATION DONATES FRAMED NATIONAL MOTTO TO SCHOOLS**

(Del Rio, Texas) On Friday, SFDR CISD Superintendent of Schools Dr. Carlos Rios, Administrative Director Sandra Hernandez, and the Superintendent's Leadership Team welcomed the Val Verde County Republican Women to the Student Performance Center and Administration Building. Representatives of the group presented a donation of framed copies of the National Motto to each school principal.

A year ago, Senate Bill 797, passed by the 87th Texas Legislature, went into effect, requiring public schools to display the national motto, "In God We Trust," in a conspicuous place on campus if the poster or framed copy is donated for display at the school. The bill sets specific rules about displaying the phrase, saying the poster or frame "must contain a representation of the United States flag centered under the national motto and a representation of the state flag." It also says the display cannot contain any additional words, images, or information. The measure aligns with several bills that progressed through the Capitol last year relating to education or patriotism.

Ms. Terri Flowers, President of the Val Verde County Republican Women, notified the school district last month that the organization would be donating framed copies of the national motto to each school this spring. "This project was initiated by former VVCRW President, Ms. Anna Chapman, explained Ms. Flowers. The Val Verde County Republican Women worked together on this year-long project and we are excited to present these to our schools."

SFDR CISD thanks the Val Verde County Republican Women for their kind and generous contribution to our schools!