# San Felipe Del Rio CISD District of Innovation

District of Innovation Advisory Committee Meeting #2

January 30, 2018



#### Meeting Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Review of the SFDRCISD Instructional Calendar
  - Designing a District Calendar with Exemption from §25.0811-First Day of Instruction and consideration of §25.081-Minutes of Instruction
- Review of Career and Technical Education (CTE)Programs
  - The Rationale for Seeking an Exemption from TEC §21.003 Teacher Certifications
- Discussion & Review

Review of the SFDRCISD Calendar



#### Recap of the Texas Education Code Chapter 25, Subchapter C – Operation of Schools and School Attendance

# §25.0811 First Day of Instruction

Sec. 25.0811. FIRST DAY OF INSTRUCTION. (a) Except as provided by this section, a school district may not begin instruction for students for a school year before the fourth Monday in August.

CALANDAR AUGUST 2017						
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

# §25.0812 Last Day of Instruction

Sec. 25.0812. LAST DAY OF SCHOOL. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), a school district may not schedule the last day of school for students for a school year before May 15.

MAY 2018						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

#### Recap of the Texas Education Code Chapter 25, Subchapter C – Operation of Schools and School Attendance

# §25.081 Minutes of Instruction

Sec. 25.081. OPERATION OF SCHOOLS. (a) Except as authorized under Subsection (b) of this section, Section 25.084, or Section 29.0821, for each school year each school district must operate for at least <u>75,600 minutes</u>, including time allocated for instruction, intermissions, and recesses for students.



<sup>\*</sup> Text of subsection changed by 85th Legislature (H.B. 2442)

Designing a District Calendar with Exemption from §25.0811-First Day of Instruction and consideration of §25.081-Minutes of Instruction

#### **Guiding Principles**

- ❖ 75,600 Operational Minutes
  - □ Operational minutes are defined as the time from the first school bell to the last school bell (bell to bell).
  - ☐ Consider elementary school hours of operation.
  - □ Consider secondary school hours of operation.
  - □ Determine high school seniors early release for graduation.
  - □ 32,400 minutes as per PK Guidelines
  - □ 2100 minutes of staff development (5 days)

# Recap of Reflection Question #1: Should SFDRCISD Consider An Exemption from §25.0811 First Day of Instruction?

#### District of Innovation Committee Responses:



- Balanced schedule (school calendar)
- Alignment with college/university
- Opportunity to participate in leadership activities
- ❖ Ending the semester in December yields positive student test results



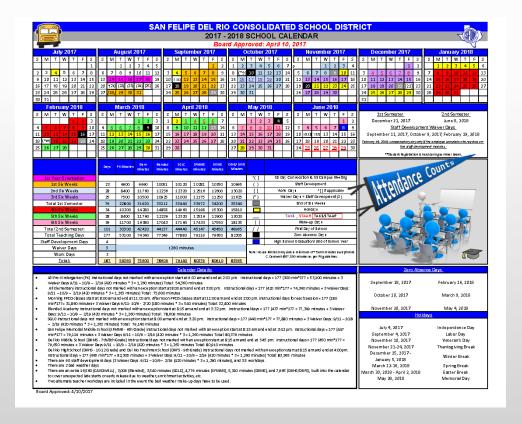
❖ Initially there will be a short summer

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Designing a District Calendar with Exemption from §25.0811-First Day of Instruction and consideration of §25.081-Minutes of Instruction

What does a calendar with an exemption from §25.0811 First Day of Instruction look like?



# Reflection Question: When should the District consider the first day of school to start?



Considering an Exemption from TEC §21.003 – Teacher Certifications



#### **EDUCATION CODE**

TITLE 2. PUBLIC EDUCATION

SUBTITLE D. EDUCATORS AND SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS

CHAPTER 21. EDUCATORS

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 21.003. CERTIFICATION REQUIRED. (a) A person may not be employed as a teacher, teacher intern or teacher trainee, librarian, educational aide, administrator, educational diagnostician, or school counselor by a school district unless the person holds an appropriate certificate or permit issued as provided by Subchapter B.



#### Why consider an exemption from TEC §21.003?



#### Rationale:

- ❖ Growth of Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, course offerings, and HB5 endorsements have led to CTE teacher shortages in hard to fill program areas.
- ❖ Current teacher certification programs are not aligned with the realities of the local education environment, and are burdensome, rigid, and costly for individuals who have never experienced the educational setting.
- ❖ Allows the school district flexibility to consider professionals to teach CTE courses if certified teachers are not available.
- ❖ Supports innovation and local initiatives to increase CTE course offerings for the benefit of the students in the community.

Specifically, which CTE Pathway/Courses should SFDRCISD consider seeking an exemption from §21.003 – Teacher Certification and include in the Local Innovation Plan?



- Trades & Industry
  - Construction
  - Electrical Trades
  - Welding
  - Automotive
  - Aircraft Maintenance
- **❖** Law
- ❖ Health Science

# What innovation strategies could SFDRCISD implement to ensure high quality instruction to meet the needs of the program?

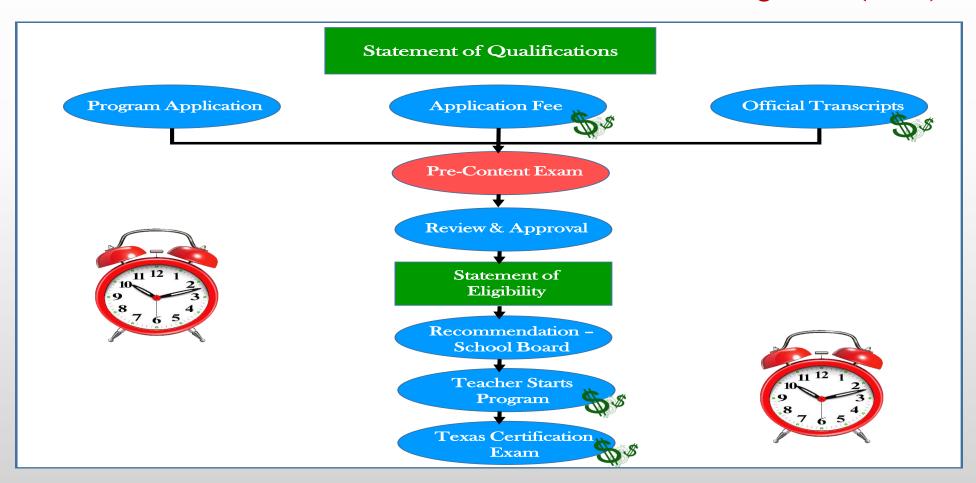
- ❖ The school district will continue to seek certified candidates for all teaching positions. However, for CTE courses for which a traditionally, certified, qualified candidate is not identified, the district will recruit individuals who can demonstrate subject matter expertise such as:
  - Formal training and education
  - \* Relevant industry license or certification
  - Professional work experience
  - ❖ Any combination of work experience, industry credentials, education, training, or work experience related to the subject matter that will be taught.
- ❖ All candidates will be carefully considered to ensure the individuals has sufficient education and expertise to provide instruction necessary to carry out the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for the course(s) to be taught.

What innovation strategies could SFDRCISD implement to ensure high quality instruction to meet the needs of the program?

- ❖ The Superintendent, after consultation with campus leadership, Human Resources and Career and Technical Education (CTE) departments, will certify candidates that meet local credential guidelines. The Superintendent will notify the Board prior to the individual beginning employment. Local teaching certificates will require an employment agreement rather than a contract.
- ❖ Once approved candidates are identified, these individuals will be required to participate in professional development in the following areas:
  - curriculum and instruction strategies and;
  - classroom management
- ❖ In addition, a teacher mentor will be appointed for guidance and support.



#### Non-Traditional Routes to Teacher Certification Programs (CTE)



Reflection Question: Should the District consider an exemption from TEC §21.003 regarding certifications for CTE?



# SFDRCISD District of Innovation Timeline



# Recap of the District of Innovation Process

#### SFDRCISD Timeline

ACTIVITY	DATE	ACTION
Board Briefing	November 6, 2017	❖ San Felipe Del Rio CISD Board Workshop was held to review the District Of Innovation proposal.
Board Meeting	November 13, 2017	❖ San Felipe Del Rio CISD Board adopts a Resolution in support of the District Of Innovation proposal.
Public Hearing Board Meeting	December 18, 2017	<ul> <li>San Felipe Del Rio CISD conducts a Public Hearing to consider developing a DOI plan under House Bill 1842.</li> </ul>
		❖ San Felipe Del Rio CISD Board approves and appoints the SFDRCISD District of Innovation Advisory Committee.
Committee Meetings	January 23, 2018	San Felipe Del Rio CISD District of Innovation Advisory Committee meets to determine exemptions from statutes; and
Mocuings	January 30, 2018	prepares the 2018-2022 SFDRCISD District of Innovation Plan.

# Recap of the District of Innovation Process

#### SFDRCISD Timeline

ACTIVITY	DATE	ACTION
Committee Meeting	February 13, 2018 (Tentative)	❖ San Felipe Del Rio CISD District of Innovation Advisory Committee completes the final version of the 2018 − 2022 SFDRCISD District of Innovation Plan.
Board Briefing	February 14, 2018 (Tentative)	<ul> <li>The proposed plan is posted on the San Felipe Del Rio CISD website: www.sfdr-cisd.org for 30 days.</li> <li>Letter is sent to the Commissioner with date of resolution stating the San Felipe Del Rio CISD Board's intent to vote on the Innovation Plan.</li> </ul>
Public Committee Meeting	March 21, 2018 (Tentative)	❖ San Felipe Del Rio CISD District of Innovation Advisory Committee conducts a Public Meeting to consider and approve the final version of the 2018 − 2022 San Felipe Del Rio CISD District of Innovation Plan; passes the plan by a majority vote.
Board Meeting	April 2018 (Tentative)	❖ San Felipe Del Rio CISD Board approves the 2018 − 2022 San Felipe Del Rio CISD District of Innovation Plan with 2/3 majority vote.

# Recap of the District of Innovation Process

#### SFDRCISD Timeline

ACTIVITY	DATE	ACTION
TEA Notification	April 2018 (Tentative)	❖ San Felipe Del Rio CISD notifies the Commissioner after adoption.
TASB Notification	April 2018 (Tentative)	San Felipe Del Rio CISD notifies and updates policy changes with TASB.

#### District of Innovation Timeline

#### SFDRCISD DOI Committee Recommendations:

