

SAN FELIPE DEL RIO
Consolidated Independent School District
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February 26, 2018

Mr. Mike Morath
Commissioner of Education
Texas Education Agency
1701 N. Congress Ave.
Austin, Texas 78701

RE: San Felipe Del Rio Consolidated Independent School District – District of Innovation

Dear Commissioner Morath,

In the spring of 2015, during the 84th Texas legislative session, House Bill 1842 (HB 1842) was passed to allow Texas public school districts, such as ours, with the opportunity to become a “District of Innovation.” This letter is to inform you San Felipe Del Rio CISD is in the process of completing the requirements as set forth in the Texas Education Code TEC 12A.

On November 13, 2017, the San Felipe Del Rio CISD Board of Trustees took its first step in becoming a District of Innovation by unanimously adopting a resolution to initiate the process of designation as a District of Innovation (TEC 12A.001). On December 18, 2017, as required by TEC 12A.002, the Board appointed the SFDR CISD District of Innovation Advisory Committee to develop a local innovation plan for the District.

The 18-member Committee met on January 23, January 30, and February 6, 2018 to discuss the designation process and draft a Local Innovation Plan which would best support our shared beliefs, visions and goals for the District. This recently crafted plan, which identifies the requested exemptions from the provision code (TEC 12A.003), is now posted on the District’s website for a 30-day comment period (TEC 12A.005(a)(1)). The SFDR CISD District of Innovation Advisory Committee will reconvene and conduct a Public Meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 to consider and approve the final version of the 2018 – 2023 San Felipe Del Rio CISD District of Innovation Plan (12A.005(a)(3)).

If the SFDR CISD District of Innovation Advisory Committee approves the plan by a majority vote, the San Felipe Del Rio CISD Board of Trustees will vote on the Local Innovation Plan at a public meeting conducted in April 2018, in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Very Respectfully,


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