

Bryan Independent School District Resolution of Board of Trustees Regarding STAAR Redesign and the Accountability System for Public Schools

WHEREAS, the 86th Texas Legislature passed HB 3906, which authorized the redesign of the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Education Agency has made vast changes to the content, structure, and administration of the state assessments, including limiting multiple choice questions to 75% of the test questions, the addition of technology-enhanced question types for all grade levels and subjects, the addition of short constructed written responses in all subject areas and tested grade levels, shifting to evidence-based writing samples for the first time, and all students will now be required to take the online administration of the assessments; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Education Agency's proposed "A-F Accountability Refresh" is scheduled for the 2023 Accountability Ratings; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Education Agency's A-F Refresh Overview and Summary states that ratings from 2022 and 2023 cannot be compared side-by-side and that, "It is possible that a campus with an A in 2022 may improve in 2023 and yet receive a B."; and

WHEREAS, in the 2022 accountability ratings, the College, Career, and Military Readiness cut score to receive an "A" in the domain was a 60 and for 2023 will now be an 88. This results in a 47% increase in one year, applied to students who graduated in 2022 and who are no longer enrolled; and

WHEREAS, there is a state and national teacher workforce shortage and the vast changes implemented by the STAAR Redesign and the A-F Accountability Refresh have been cited as reasons for teachers leaving the profession;

IT IS THEREFORE:

RESOLVED THAT the Bryan ISD Board of Trustees calls on the Texas Legislature to institute a hold harmless year for 2023 Accountability; and

RESOLVED THAT the Bryan ISD Board of Trustees asks that the Texas Education Agency maintain the 2022 College, Career, and Military Readiness cut scores; and

RESOLVED THAT the Bryan ISD Board of Trustees urges the Texas Legislature to limit state assessment programs to those required to meet federal ESSA requirements and reduce the time students spend taking state tests; and

RESOLVED THAT the Bryan ISD Board of Trustees implores the Texas Legislature to replace the A-F system for public schools with one that honors the complex work of educators throughout the state.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was presented to the Board of Trustees of the Bryan Independent School District during a called meeting on April 3, 2023, a quorum of the Board of Trustees being then present, it was then duly moved and seconded that the resolution be adopted, and such resolution was then adopted according to the following vote:

Ayes: <u>7</u>		
Nays: _Ø_		
Abstentions:	0	

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