

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
CENTER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the 88th Texas Legislature (2023) authorized the passage of HB 3, which created section 37.0814 of the Texas Education Code, requiring school district boards of trustees to determine the appropriate number of armed security officers for each campus, and specifying that there should be at least one-armed security officer present on each campus during regular school hours; and

WHEREAS, Texas, like many states throughout the nation, is experiencing a statewide shortage of law enforcement officers; and


WHEREAS, the Center ISD Board of Trustees strives firstly to ensure the safety of all students and staff, and secondly, to explore innovative solutions to the challenges posed by our changing times;

Now therefore it be resolved by the Board that:

1. The Center ISD Board of Trustees determines that the District will continue to pay any and all salary, wages, and/or benefits to current Center ISD Security team members for the duration of their time spent at the Police Academy;
2. The Center ISD Board of Trustees determines that doing so will allow the District to retain current Security staff while they further their professional development, and ultimately serve Center ISD as licensed peace officers uniquely qualified to work in Center ISD schools and ensure the very best care and protection for our students;
3. The Center ISD Board of Trustees finds that establishing such a program will serve the public purpose of the Center ISD in that it will serve to enhance the District's ability to provide security and protection for students and staff and to meet applicable legal requirements; and
4. The Center ISD Board of Trustees authorizes the Administration to set parameters for this program and thereby, to establish sufficient controls to ensure that the District's public purpose and stated intentions for the program are achieved.

Adopted by the vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Trustees of the Center Independent School District present and voting at an open meeting on the 8th day of April 2026, at which a quorum was present.

BY:



Board President

ATTEST:



Board Secretary



Center Independent School District

Superintendent, Jake Henson

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES CENTER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SB 546 SEAT BELT REQUIREMENTS

FINANCIAL INABILITY DETERMINATION

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 546 (89th Texas Legislature) requires that all school buses operated by or contracted for use by a school district be equipped with three-point seat belts for every passenger, including the operator, with full compliance required no later than September 1, 2029; and

WHEREAS, Center ISD currently operates a fleet that includes a significant number of buses that do not meet the newly mandated safety equipment requirements; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost to replace or retrofit the non-compliant buses creates a substantial financial burden on the District, and current budget conditions do not permit full compliance within the required timeframe; and

WHEREAS, SB 546 authorizes a school district to determine, through Board action, that the District's budget does not permit the purchase of compliant buses or retrofitting of non-compliant buses at this time, provided that required reporting to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) is completed; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has reviewed the fleet inventory, cost projections, and multi-year capital replacement requirements and finds that full compliance by the statutory deadline is not financially feasible under current funding conditions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Board of Trustees of Center ISD hereby determines that the District's current budget does not permit full compliance with SB 546 by September 1, 2029.
2. The Board directs the Superintendent to submit the required SB 546 reporting to the Texas Education Agency, including the fleet inventory, cost estimates, and this Resolution.
3. The Board further directs the Superintendent to develop a phased, fiscally responsible replacement and/or retrofit plan and to provide updates to the Board as part of annual budget planning.

Adopted and approved this 8th day of April 2026 by the Board of Trustees of Center Independent School District.



Jake Henson, Superintendent

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