

RESOLUTION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RICHARDSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

ADOPTING THE MIDDLE SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION CONCEPT

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF DALLAS §

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (Board) of the Richardson Independent School District (RISD or the District) is committed to the strategic objectives that all students will maximize their intellect and skills to create their own futures; and

WHEREAS, the Board is committed to developing and implementing strategies to ensure that the District offers diverse and engaging programs and learning opportunities to meet the unique needs of all of our students; and

WHEREAS, one of the recommendations from the student learning strategic action committee was the need to consider transforming the current grade configuration to move sixth grade student to junior high school to create a true middle school to serve students more effectively; and

WHEREAS, the Administration is developing an implementation plan for a middle school transformation for all students; and

WHEREAS, during the planning process for the anticipated 2021 Bond Program, the Bond Committee considered the construction and program needs to begin implementation of the middle school transformation process and made recommendations to phase in necessary construction by learning community, beginning with the Lake Highlands learning community in the anticipated 2021 Bond Program, and continuing with the remaining learning communities in the next bond program, with the goal of having construction completed for all affected campuses by 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully considered the Superintendent's recommendation for implementing a middle school transformation and the proposal to phase in necessary construction for the program beginning in the 2021 anticipated bond program and continuing in future bond programs until completed; and

WHEREAS, careful planning for future actions to ensure consistent implementation of strategic initiatives supports the Board's Strategic Plan and the Board's goals to serve all students;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board adopts the facts set out in the preamble above and hereby approves the Superintendent's proposal to create a true middle school learning environment to serve all students more effectively and the plan to phase in construction for the middle school program by learning community, beginning with the Lake Highlands learning community in the anticipated 2021 bond program and continuing in future bond programs until all current junior high schools are redesigned to support the middle school concept.

APPROVED on this 11th day of January 2021.

Attest:

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Title: President, RISD Board of Trustees

By: _____
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