

Resolution
**For Santa Fe ISD to Initiate the Process of Designation as a
District of Innovation Under HB 1842**

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe ISD Board of Trustees is committed to "PREPARE all members of the Santa Fe Independent School District learning community to ACHIEVE and SUCCEED through innovative strategies and collaborative relationships; and where ALL means ALL; every child; every day; and,

WHEREAS, HB 1842 in part amended Chapter 12 of the Texas Education Code to provide Texas public school districts the opportunity to be designated as Districts of Innovation; and,

WHEREAS Texas Education Code 12A.001 provides that a district is eligible for designation as a District of Innovation if the district's most recent performance rating under Section 39.054 reflects a met standard performance, and that consideration of designation as a district of innovation may be initiated by a resolution adopted by the board of trustees of the district; and

WHEREAS, Texas districts designated as Districts of Innovation may be exempted from a number of state statutes; and,

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe ISD Board of Trustees believes that it can be a better decision-making body for students when it has freedom to exercise local control over the decision-making process; and,

WHEREAS, HB 1842 requires districts seeking to be designated as Districts of Innovation to develop a local innovation plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe ISD Board of Trustees believes that a local innovation plan, if created, should be developed in collaboration with the community and District stakeholders to support the District's strategic plan to improve school and District performance; and,

WHEREAS, before considering the creation of a local innovation plan, the Santa Fe ISD Board of Trustees will conduct a public hearing to receive feedback from District stakeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Santa Fe Independent School District Board of Trustees on December 12, 2016, initiates the process of exploring and considering designation of the District as a District of Innovation under HB 1842.

Approved by the Santa Fe Independent School District Board of Trustees on December 12, 2016 by a vote of 7 to 0.

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