

District of Innovation

A District of Innovation is a concept passed by the 84th Legislative Session in House Bill 1842, effective immediately, that gives traditional school districts most of the flexibilities available to Texas* open enrollment charter schools. To access these flexibilities, a school district must adopt an innovation plan as set forth in Texas Education Code chapter 12 A.

Timeline

- December 12, 2016 School Board Meeting
 - Board of Trustees approve a resolution for becoming a District of Innovation .
 - Public Hearing to consider whether the district should develop a local innovation plan.
 - Board of Trustees approve the members of the District of Innovation Committee.
- January 11, 2017 Principal Leadership Meeting
 - Principal Leadership Committee met and were presented purpose of Innovation Plan, committee discussed innovations to present to District Advisory Committee.
- January 1, 2017 District Advisory Committee including Leadership Committee Meeting.
 - The Principal Leadership committee and DAC met and drafted a plan to be presented to Board of Trustees.
- January 25, 2017 Leadership Committee Meeting
 - Met after taking drafted plan back to campus leadership teams for feedback.
- February 17, 2017 District Advisory Committee including Leadership committee Meetings.
 - Met to finalize District of Innovation Plan to present to Board of Trustees.
- March 6, 2017 School Board Meeting
 - Board takes action to approve notifying the Texas Commissioner of Education of their intend to vote on adopting WISD's final Local Innovation Plan.
- March 7, 2017
 - Post District of Innovation Plan on the district website for 30 days.
- April 10, 2017
 - District Advisory Committee to meet and approve final version.
 - Public Hearing for Proposed WISD Local Innovation Plan and presented to Board of Trustees for consideration and approval.
- April 11, 2017
 - WISD submits approved Local Intervention Plan to the Commissioner of Education.

