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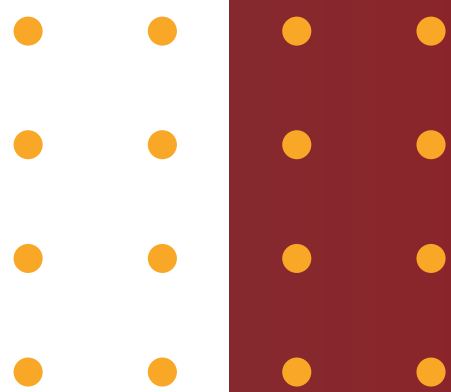


DISTRICT OF INNOVATION

INNOVATION PLAN RENEWAL MEETING #2
FEB 16, 2022



Agenda



01

Welcome and introductions accompanied by a short icebreaker activity.

02

Review of definition of DOI, SMSD's types of flexibility, and calendar.

03

Review of first meeting notes regarding existing flexibilities.

04

Discussion for additional flexibilities and Voting.

05

Closing remarks, questions, and comments.



WELCOME



Welcome

Hello and welcome to our District of Innovation Plan Renewal Meeting #2. In this meeting, we will review the existing plan, previous meeting notes, and then decide about possible changes and updates for the new innovation plan.



Future Headlines!

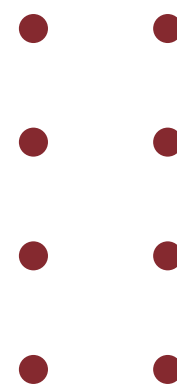
Write a newspaper or magazine headline for SMSD in 10 years. Work on this independently first, then share your headline with your group members. As a group, decide on the headline you would like to share. We'll vote whole group and the group with the most votes wins!!



What is a District of Innovation?

A District of Innovation is a concept passed in 2015 by the 84th Legislative Session in House Bill 1842, effective immediately, that gives traditional independent school districts most of the flexibilities available to Texas' open enrollment charter schools.

In order for a school district to access those flexibilities, a school district must adopt an innovation plan, as set forth in the TEC Chapter 12A.



What is a District of Innovation?

LOCAL CONTROL

Districts decide which flexibility best suits their local needs.

AUTONOMY

District must submit a district of innovation plan to the commissioner of education, but approval is not required.



CUSTOMIZATION

Districts can create an innovation plan for a level of school (i.e. only high schools), grade level, or campus.

FLEXIBILITY

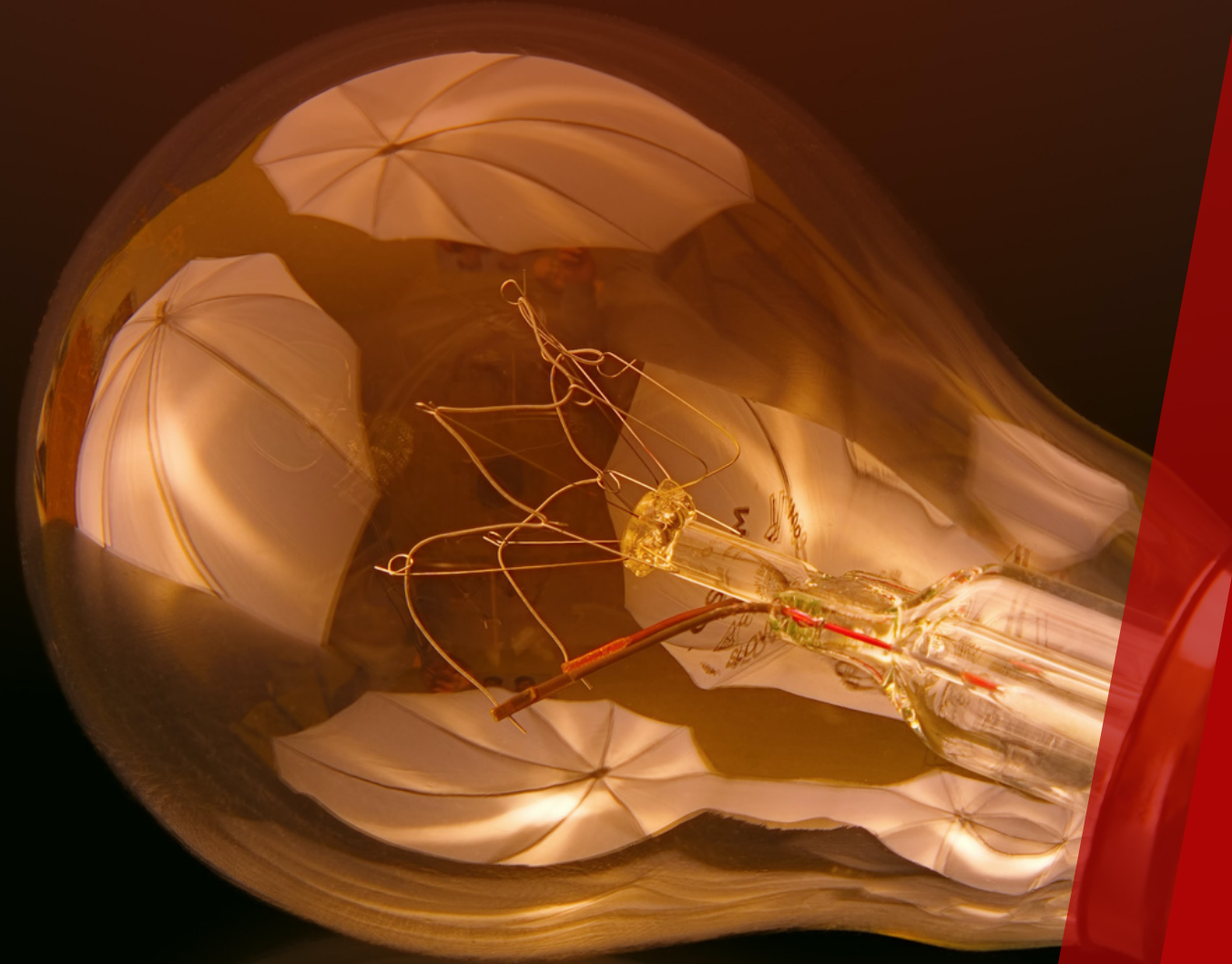
Districts will have flexibility to implement practices similar to charter schools, including exemptions from mandates.



Existing Flexibilities

01. First Day of Instruction
02. Teacher Certification
03. Minimum Minutes of Instruction
04. Class Size Ratio
05. Campus Behavior Coordinator Provisions
06. Teacher Appraisal System
07. Transfer Student Provision
08. Disciplinary Alternative Education Plans
09. Employee Benefits
10. Mentors





FLEXIBILITY NOTES REVIEW





Our Timeline

DECEMBER 2021

BOT authorized Superintendent to appoint a Local Innovation Committee to work on the renewal of the District Innovation Plan.

JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022

The committee will meet on January-February 2022 to discuss and draft the Plan.

MARCH 2022

The Plan will be posted for public view and comments in March 2022 for 30 days.

APRIL 2022

The Board of Trustees will be presented with the Plan for approval.

MAY 2022

The district will notify the commissioner and send a copy to TEA.



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THANK YOU

