

## Frequently Asked Questions about DOI

Below are some details about our District of Innovation approach and the intent of the District in pursuing some of the exemptions.

## **Timeline**

December 12, 2016
SISD Board of Trustees approved DOI resolution

January 9, 2017
Public Hearing
Committee Appointment

January 25, 2017
Post Proposed District of Innovation Plan on SISD webpage

February 13, 2017
SISD Board of Trustees Reviews District of Innovation Plan
SISD Board of Trustees Vote on becoming a DOI

February 24, 2017 Final Proposed District of Innovation Plan

March 6, 2017 SISD Board of Trustees Approve DOI Plan

## Committee

Our District of Innovation committee has 18 members:

- 2 teachers
- 2 parents
- 6 campus administrators
- 4 district directors/coordinators
- 2 Deputy/Assistant Superintendents
- 1 Superintendent

The Committee will create the District of Innovation Plan ("the Plan"). The Committee can propose any item for exemption that is allowable. Once the Committee and the Board approve the plan, it is in effect for 5 years. During the five years, the plan can be amended or revoked. Any and all plan changes have to be approved by the district-level committee. SISD is currently working with Texas Association of School Boards to revised current local policies addressed in the Plan.

TEA has identified eligible sections of the education code that apply to public schools and do not apply to charter or private schools. TEA has also published a specific list of prohibited sections of the education code that public schools may not exempt from in the Plan.

The Committee reviewed and chose the following areas to be considered in the SISD Innovation Plan.

Chapter 25 Subchapter C 25.0811
First Day of Instruction

Chapter 25 Subchapter D 25.113 Notice of Class Size

Chapter 21 Subchapter A 21.003

Teacher Certification

Chapter 11 Subchapter A 11.251
Planning and Decision-Making Membership