



**Carroll Independent School District
Special Board Workshop
President's Report/BRAC Update
October 7, 2024**

BRAC Update

I would like to provide an important update regarding the ongoing efforts of our recently formed Budget Reduction Action Committee (BRAC). This committee was created to develop a comprehensive multi-year plan to ensure the long-term financial stability of our district, particularly in light of the uncertainty around public education funding in Texas. Should the 89th Texas Legislature not address the funding needs of our schools, it is crucial that we take proactive steps to balance our future budgets while prioritizing the needs of our students and staff.

As a district, we value transparency and open communication. That is why I am addressing a recent social media post from one of our BRAC committee members, who shared information about the idea of closing Durham Intermediate School as early as the next school year. I want to clarify that this idea is just one of many options being considered and discussed by the committee. At this point, no decisions have been made regarding any potential closures or changes. We are still in the early stages of evaluating all possibilities, and the community will be kept informed as we move forward.

While the post has understandably caused concern and even some panic, we believe it stems from a lack of trust between the community and the board, rather than any harmful intent by the individual who made the post. The board is committed to addressing that issue by ensuring that our decision-making process remains open, collaborative, and thoughtful. We deeply regret any undue stress or confusion caused by this, and we are committed to working closely with BRAC members, including our dedicated teachers, to ensure accurate information is shared moving forward.

I encourage everyone to remain patient and engaged as we navigate this challenging process together. Please know that our ultimate goal is to make decisions that best serve our students, staff, and the entire Carroll ISD community.

Thank you all for your continued support and if you have any questions, comments, or thoughts, please do not ever hesitate to email, text or call any trustee at any time.