



Millsap ISD Board Briefs



Regular Meeting | October 28, 2024

Millsap ISD Board Briefs are timely summaries of the monthly board meeting & do not represent the approved board minutes. The October 2024 Board minutes are approved in November 2024.

MEETING SUMMARY

Board Members Present

Chad Edwards, Board President
Jon Hartman, Board Vice President
Beth Adkins, Board Secretary
Ross Beavers, Board Member
Daniele Clark, Board Member
Dr. Heather Hester, Board Member
Dr. Heidi Ritthaler, Board Member

Presentation of Colors

MHS Beta Club officers Alex Ritthaler and Calissa Marbut presented the colors and led the audience in the pledges.

Recognitions

- Recognized MISD Employees for the month of September
Congratulations to Amy Tomerlin - MES, Destinee Turk- MMS, Natasha Meisel - MHS, Brandi Thomas - MISD

Open Forum

No one signed up to speak during Open Forum.

Minutes

Approved minutes from the September 23, 2024 Regular Meeting.

Click [HERE](#) to see board approved minutes.

Superintendent's Report

- Reviewed the attendance/enrollment report
As of 10/17/24, MISD had an enrollment of 1085 students. The enrollment of MHS, MMS, and MES is 303, 252, and 530, respectively. MISD's enrollment has increased by 2.0% since the beginning of the year, but remains down 2.5% from the 2023-2024 school year. Declining enrollment in Texas public schools is a statewide concern. Thank you for supporting our Bulldogs!
- Reviewed the Superintendent's Civic and Professional Duties Report
- Reviewed facility/construction update
Millsap ISD is currently negotiating a contract for upgrading the safety and security at MMS and MHS. To promote student safety, both campuses will have security vestibules installed at the front entrance to the campus. MISD hopes to have these projects completed by the end of the 2024-2025 school year.
- Intruder Detection Audit
To promote safe and secure school environments, the Texas Education Agency audits all districts and campuses yearly. When Millsap ISD receives an Intruder Detection Audit, to maintain the safety of our facility, students, and staff, the results are discussed in Executive Session as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.076 Security Audits.
- Reviewed Program reports from Technology, Counselor, and Athletics
We are so proud of our educators and all they are doing for our students and community. Did you know...
 - *Millsap Technology is transforming the district website to a more engaging, user-friendly format. We expect this transformation to be complete by the end of the 2024-25 school year.*
 - *MES is continuing to implement the national WATCH D.O.G.S. program where Dads spend the day at MES providing a positive male role model and demonstrating that education is important.*
 - *MISD has a partnership with Pecan Valley's Project T.H.R.I.V.E. which promotes health and wellness for all children, youth, and families.*
 - *The MHS Volleyball Team has made the playoffs, and we have a Lady Bulldog who has earned the right to compete in the STATE Cross Country Meet!*

Action & Consent Items

- Approved Innovative Course - School to College
- 2024-25 District/Campus Goals and Performance Objectives
In January 2024, the Millsap ISD Board of Trustees approved the District Strategic Plan. This 4-year plan outlines district priorities which guides the district's work. Millsap ISD's priorities are Priority 1 Student Excellence, Priority 2 High Quality Staff, Priority 3 Stakeholder Engagement, and Priority 4 Strong Financial Stewardship and Organizational Effectiveness. The 2024-2025 District/Campus Goals are focused on achieving these district priorities.

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- Out of State Travel for 2025-26 Varsity Girls Basketball Team

The 2025-2026 girls Varsity Basketball team will be traveling to Kissimmee, Florida to play in the renowned KSA Event Basketball Tournament! This holiday tournament, in December 2025, will provide many of our students opportunities they have never experienced, including out of state travel, the complete airline experience, and visiting Universal Studios/Magic Kingdom. We hope you support our Bulldogs as they start their fundraising endeavors for this trip!

- Donations

Thank you, Simmons Bank, for making a substantial contribution to Millsap ISD's Telling Our Story initiative. The Millsap ISD videos which tells our story can be viewed [HERE](#).

Executive Session Per Texas Government Code

Reconvene from Executive Session

No action was taken.

After approval at the November 18, 2024 MISD School Board Meeting, minutes will be posted on the MISD website.

See <https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Organization/1603> for complete Board Approved Minutes.