

89th LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- **Support raising and indexing the basic allotment and support funding based on student enrollment.**

To facilitate efficient and effective budgeting, bond planning, and programmatic investment, the state must distribute funding based on a combination of attendance and enrollment, not just attendance, to give school districts stable and predictable funding.

Create an automatic annual adjustment to the basic allotment to address inflation.

Fund district initiatives to “Grow Your Own” teacher programs to help combat the nationwide teacher shortage.

- **Fully fund School Safety, Special Education, Early Education, and Career and Technology Education mandates (currently \$31 million underfunded).**

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School Safety (Underfunded)

For Mesquite ISD - \$5.7 million
For Texas - \$850 million

SPED (Underfunded)

For Mesquite ISD - \$18 million
For Texas - \$1.7 billion

Early Education (Underfunded)

For Mesquite ISD - \$5 million
For Texas - \$460 million

CTE (Underfunded)

For Mesquite ISD - \$2.1 million

- **Prevent the transfer of public funds to private entities through vouchers (e.g. education savings accounts, tuition tax credits, etc.).**

Since 1995 privatization efforts in the form of vouchers have been introduced into each session of the Texas Legislature. Vouchers would transfer public tax money to private for-profit and non-profit religious entities with much less accountability than public schools.

