

# Legislative Priorities 2025

## **Priorities**



#### School Finance

- Provide funding for full-day prekindergarten programs
- Increase the basic allotment to enable school districts to invest in teacher compensation and other areas critical to improving student achievement

- Index the basic allotment to inflation
- Raise the school safety allotment to meet the requirements of HB 3 while allowing local spending discretion to include the funding for mental health interventions
- Fund school districts based on enrollment rather than average daily attendance (ADA)



#### Human Capital

- Provide funding for ISDs,colleges, and universities to develop and implement a fully paid teacher residency and/or teacher apprenticeship program
- Incentivize partnerships between ISDs and colleges/universities to create robust teacher pipelines and incorporate funding for candidates
- Support the creation of a Principal Incentive Allotment (PIA) to attract and retain highperforming principals
- Develop a program targeting the top 20% of high school graduates in Texas and incentivize them to become teachers by providing a full scholarship coupled with a commitment to teach for specified time at a high poverty or hard to staff school in Texas



### School Accountability

• Develop an accountability system that includes multiple measures beyond STAAR that more effectively measures the development of the whole child and reflects the knowledge and skills Texas communities believe are important for their children.

Believing OUR Students are THE Future, the mission of Ector County ISD is to inspire and challenge every student to be prepared for success and to be adaptable in an ever-changing society.