

School Health Advisory Council - 2025-2026

President Ferguson, Dr. Weiss, and School Board Members, thank you for the opportunity this evening to speak about the School Health Advisory Council and to submit our proposed member list for this school year.

Schools play an important role in promoting the health and safety of children and adolescents by helping them to establish lifelong health patterns.

Healthy students are better learners, and academic achievement bears a lifetime of benefits for health.

The School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) is a group appointed by the school district to serve at the district level. Members of the SHAC come from different areas of the community and from within the school district. SHACs play an important role in strengthening the connection between health and learning.

Texas law requires the establishment of a SHAC for every school district. SHACs are required to meet at least four times each year. SHACs assist the districts in ensuring that local community values are reflected in health education instruction.

At this time, I would like to recommend the following SHAC members and positions:

School Employees

- Tanya Avera (Curriculum & Special Programs Secretary)
- Tricia Brooks (Director of Finance)
- Jennifer Fisher (Safety & Truancy Administrator)
- Litesha Limbrick (Child Nutrition Coordinator)
- Jason Schwartz (Director of Special Education)
- Kirsten Martin (Director of Nursing)
- Amanda Droddy (Elementary PE Teacher)

Non-School Employees

- Greg Garrett (Community Member/Parent)
- Amber Meredith (Hardin County Health Department)
- Gail Douglas (Hardin County Health Department)
- Kelly Drake (Community Member/Grandparent)

Proposed Meeting Dates

Wednesday, October 8th at 12PM

Monday, December 1st at 12PM

Monday, February 9th at 12PM

Monday, May 4th at 12PM