



**BOARD RESOLUTION RENEWING THE GOOD CAUSE EXCEPTION AND
ADOPTING AN ALTERNATIVE STANDARD FOR COMPLIANCE WITH TEXAS
EDUCATION CODE §37.0814**

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code §37.0814 requires each school district to provide an armed security officer at each campus during regular school hours in accordance with the requirements established by state law; and

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code §37.0814(c) authorizes the Board of Trustees to claim a good cause exception when the District is unable to comply with the requirements of Section 37.0814(b) due to lack of funding, lack of available personnel, or other good cause as determined by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code §37.0814(d) requires a district claiming a good cause exception to develop and implement an alternative standard that provides for the safety and security of students, staff, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code §37.0814(c-1) provides that a good cause exception expires on the first anniversary of the date the exception is claimed and requires the Board of Trustees to annually reevaluate its ability to comply with Section 37.0814(b) and, if necessary, renew both the good cause exception and the alternative standard; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has reviewed current staffing conditions, recruitment efforts, budgetary resources, and campus security needs and finds that:

1. The District has continued to make reasonable and diligent efforts to recruit and employ commissioned peace officers to satisfy the requirements of Texas Education Code §37.0814(b);
2. A shortage of qualified commissioned peace officers continues to exist within the regional labor market, making it difficult to recruit and retain sufficient personnel to meet the statutory requirement;
3. The financial impact of employing sufficient commissioned peace officers to meet the statutory requirement remains significant and would substantially affect the District's financial resources available for educational programs and operations;
4. These circumstances constitute good cause under Texas Education Code §37.0814(c) to continue the District's previously approved exception; and

WHEREAS, the Board further finds that contracting with licensed, armed security personnel provides an appropriate alternative standard that enhances campus safety while the District continues its efforts toward full compliance with Section 37.0814(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COLLEGE STATION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:



Section 1. Renewal of Good Cause Exception

The Board hereby determines that good cause continues to exist under Texas Education Code §37.0814(c) and hereby renews the District's good cause exception for an additional one-year period beginning on the date of adoption of this Resolution.

Section 2. Adoption of Alternative Standard

Pursuant to Texas Education Code §37.0814(d), the Board adopts the following alternative standard:

The District shall contract with an appropriately licensed security services contractor if necessary, to provide licensed, armed commissioned security officers as authorized under Texas Occupations Code Chapter 1702 to provide armed security services at District campuses during regular school hours.

These security personnel shall:

- Be properly licensed by the Texas Department of Public Safety as required by Texas Occupations Code Chapter 1702;
- Be authorized by the District to carry firearms while performing assigned security duties;
- Coordinate with local law enforcement and emergency responders regarding emergency response procedures;
- Participate in District safety planning and emergency preparedness activities as required by District administration; and
- Perform duties consistent with applicable Texas law governing licensed security officers.

The Board acknowledges that licensed security officers serving under this alternative standard are not commissioned peace officers unless otherwise separately commissioned and shall perform only those duties authorized by law.

Section 3. Continued Recruitment

The Superintendent or designee is directed to continue active recruitment and evaluation of qualified commissioned peace officers and to pursue opportunities that would allow the District to achieve compliance with Texas Education Code §37.0814(b) as staffing availability and financial resources permit.

Section 4. Annual Review

The Superintendent or designee shall annually present to the Board an evaluation of:



- The District's ability to comply with Texas Education Code §37.0814(b);
- Recruitment efforts for commissioned peace officers;
- The effectiveness of the District's alternative standard; and
- Any recommendations for modification of the District's security program.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption and shall remain in effect for one year unless earlier modified or rescinded by action of the Board of Trustees.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of the College Station Independent School District on this 21st day of July, 2026.

Kim Ege, President
Board of School Trustees

ATTEST:

Kristin Wilson, Secretary
Board of School Trustees