WYLIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

90TH TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Public education is one of Texas's greatest investments, and every decision made in Austin has a direct impact on the students we serve each day. As a high-performing public school district, Wylie ISD is committed to preparing every student for success while remaining accountable to families and taxpayers. We believe Texas should equip school districts with the resources and local flexibility necessary to continue delivering the high-quality education students deserve.

Our legislative priorities focus on two critical issues for student success: SCHOOL FUNDING and ASSESSMENT.

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1. SCHOOL FUNDING

OUR PRIORITY

Modernize Texas's school funding system by increasing the Basic Allotment and ensuring state funding reflects today's educational costs and student needs.

WHY IT MATTERS

The current funding model has not kept pace with inflation, rising operating costs, or the growing demands placed on public schools.

An increase to the Basic Allotment remains Wylie ISD's highest funding priority because it provides districts the flexibility to address local needs.

If an increase to the Basic Allotment is not possible, increased investment in the following areas would provide meaningful relief to school districts facing significant funding challenges:

- Special Education
- Transportation
- Safety & Security
- Technology

2. ASSESSMENT

OUR PRIORITY

Maintain a strong statewide accountability system while preserving local flexibility to select assessment tools and testing schedules that best support student learning.

WHY IT MATTERS

Wylie ISD supports assessment as an essential part of education. Effective assessments help educators measure student growth, identify learning gaps, and make timely instructional decisions.

House Bill 8 expands state-required assessments and limits districts' ability to use assessment systems that already provide meaningful instructional data.

We support an accountability system that:

- Measures student growth throughout the school year.
- Preserves local control over assessment tools and testing windows.
- Provides educators with timely, actionable data.
- Maintains rigorous accountability while minimizing excessive testing that reduces instructional time.