

## College Station Independent School District

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Dr. Eddie Coulson, Superintendent

From: Dr. Clark Ealy, Deputy Superintendent for Administrative Services

Date: February 13, 2014

Subject: Consider Approval of the 2014-15 CSISD School Calendar

Agenda Item: K-1

Board Priority/

District Goal: Priorities A & B; Goals 1, 2 & 3

## **BACKGROUND**

With the goal of developing the most appropriate school calendar for 2014-15, the Districtwide Educational Improvement Council (DEIC) developed four draft calendar options. After receiving initial feedback from those groups the DEIC members represent, the group narrowed the options to two and placed the finalists on the CSISD website for all constituents to be able to view and comment.

The two calendar options were available on the district's website from December 19<sup>th</sup> through January 31<sup>st</sup>. In the period the calendars were on the website, the district received a total of 2,587 responses and 27 pages of open-ended comments.

Option Blue that ends in May 2015 and bears the closest resemblance to our current calendar received 1,794 votes (69.3%). Option Teal that ends June 4<sup>th</sup> with fall final exams after the holiday break received 793 votes (30.7%).

On Wednesday, February 12th, DEIC reviewed the voting and the on-line feedback and made a recommendation for a 2014-15 school calendar. The group voted 26-0 to recommend calendar option Blue to the School Board. The recommended Blue calendar includes three early release days: November 12, 2014; January 28, 2015; and April 15, 2015.

## RECOMMENDATION - Board Approval

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of College Station ISD approve calendar option Blue as the school calendar for 2014-15.

EDDIE COULSON, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools