



# Cypress-Fairbanks ISD

## LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

### 79th Legislative Session



The Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District believes that the future of Texas is contingent upon all students successfully mastering a challenging course of study, learning to work with others, and being prepared to adjust to a constantly changing world. All students must be provided with this opportunity through the Texas public education system. Success requires a partnership between the state and local school districts.

In order to secure the future of students, Cypress-Fairbanks ISD supports legislation to:



#### **SCHOOL FINANCE**

- Provide needed new funding for public education while providing reasonable tax relief for homeowners;
- Provide a long-term solution for adequate and equitable funding;
- Provide adequate funding for new facilities (NIFA) and continued EDA funding on future bond sales, which are critically important to a growing school district;
- Prohibit the use of state tax dollars to support vouchers for private school tuition;



#### **INSTRUCTION**

- Provide state funding that accurately reflects the costs of providing the programs that serve special needs students;



#### **LOCAL CONTROL**

- Fund mandates in current and future legislation; and
- Maintain local control of public education by duly elected school boards, including the provisions for local school calendars, elections, and local enrichment decisions.