




## Joint Statement from School Board President Audrey Momanae and HISD Superintendent Mike Miles on Budget Approval for 2024-2025 School Year

In highly effective school districts, the annual budget is the most critical reflection of the district's priorities. We are grateful to each member of the School Board for their thoughtful, rigorous consideration and debate about this budget proposal. We applaud the community for its ongoing interest and feedback throughout this process. This budget was challenging to build and forced each department to make hard choices about how to allocate limited resources. The budget passed this evening invests in the Board's goals and minimizes the impact of reductions on students and classrooms.

Importantly, the budget funds the activities that will help HISD meet its exit criteria and move the District out of intervention status. The Board and Administration will continue to work together and have tough conversations when necessary to ensure we stay focused on improving student outcomes for all HISD students.

The Houston Independent School District is the largest school district in Texas and the eighth-largest in the United States, with 276 schools and nearly 190,000 students. The 333-square-mile district is one of the largest employers in the Houston metropolitan area, with more than 27,000 employees.

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