

RESOLUTION
Intent to Fall Short of Proposed Expenditure
Target Established by the Commissioner of Education

Whereas, the Santa Fe Independent School District has prepared, reviewed and approved a budget based on the following principles:

- providing the best educational experience for its' students,
- ensuring the continued professional development for instructional staff,
- incorporating the necessary tools for parents and community members to participate fully in each child's education,
- maximizing the use of each taxpayer dollar,
- providing competitive teacher salaries and benefits; and

Whereas, Santa Fe ISD and every school district in Texas is facing ever increasing inflationary pressures due to unexpected increases in basic district expenditures, including the costs of fuel, utilities, and food; and

Whereas, these costs have increased overall projected non-student based support services spending significantly; and

Whereas, the increased non-student based support services spending has necessitated decreased instructional spending; and

Whereas, despite inflationary pressures, the school finance system imposed by House Bill 1 provides no additional per student revenue and as a result, the total revenue per student for the district remains frozen at the FY 2005-06 level in perpetuity; and

Whereas, Texas Education Code, §44.011, requires that the board of trustees of a school district adopt and publish a resolution that includes an explanation justifying an intent to fall short of proposed expenditure targets;

Therefore, be it resolved that, for the reasons stated above, the Santa Fe Independent School District Board of Trustees intends to fall short of the instruction expenditure target established by the Commissioner of Education for the 2008-2009 school year.

Signed: _____
John Rothermel, President

Date: _____

Attest: _____
Rusty Norman, Secretary

Date: _____