

February 6, 2017

At their February 6, 2017, meeting, the City View ISD Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to begin the process of declaring their eligibility to become a district of innovation. In compliance with eligibility guidelines, the board is hosting a public hearing to consider whether the district should develop an innovation plan.

The public hearing will be held during the March 10th called school board meeting. The meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. at the City View ISD Administration Building 1023 City View Drive, Wichita Falls, Texas. At the conclusion of the hearing or soon thereafter, the board may (1) decline to pursue the designation as a District of Innovation; or (2) appoint a committee to develop a plan.

The District of Innovation concept was passed into law by the 84th Legislative Session in House Bill 1842, which created Texas Education Code chapter 12A. The law allows traditional independent school districts to access most of the flexibilities available to Texas' open enrollment charter schools. To access these flexibilities, a school district must adopt an innovation plan, as set forth in Chapter 12A.

A local school district may want to pursue specific innovations in curriculum, instruction, governance, parent or community involvement, school calendar, budgeting or other ideas. An innovation plan also allows a school district to gain exemption from many Texas Education Code requirements.