

Board Workshop Summary

FROM LOVEJOY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

September 17, 2025

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For more detailed information, stakeholders are encouraged to view the [Board Meeting Recordings](#) and access the documents published in the [Board Book](#).

Pledges and Recognition of Patriot Day

In honor of Patriot Day and the anniversary of September 11, the pledges were led by Lovejoy High School students, Will Lander and Caroline Wilkins.



Foundation for Lovejoy Schools Annual Report

The Foundation for Lovejoy Schools presented their annual report, highlighting the significant impact of its fundraising efforts, which generate hundreds of thousands of dollars annually through the generosity of our community to support Lovejoy ISD educators and the educational experience of Lovejoy ISD students.

CLASSROOM ENHANCEMENTS

\$445,225.59

SAFETY AND SECURITY

\$134,743.00

TOTAL GIVEN TO LOVEJOY ISD

\$579,968.59

A reminder was shared that *North Texas Giving Day* takes place tomorrow, Thursday, September 18th. The community is encouraged to show support for the Foundation and their impactful mission.



Parent Communication and Engagement Update

The Communications Department shared updates on their work to improve parent engagement and streamline communication through a new unified platform, which includes:

- A dedicated **parent space in the Lovejoy ISD mobile app** for classroom announcements, updates, and direct messaging.
- An **aligned newsletter tool**, now used by over **70 teachers in grades PreK-4**, allowing them to easily create and share classroom newsletters.
- **Integrated communication channels** for district-wide messaging, including email, text, voicemail, social media, website, and mobile app, ensuring faster and more efficient **emergency communication**.
- **Ongoing training and support** provided to teachers, campuses, and parents in partnership with **Apptegy**, the software provider.

Lovejoy 2030 Strategic Plan – Year 4 Update

Superintendent Kordel provided an update on our Year 4 update process for the **LOVEJOY 2030 Strategic Plan**, which highlighted opportunities for stakeholder engagement in the process.

A proposed updated committee charter and tentative timeline were discussed.

The purpose of the LOVEJOY 2030 Strategic Planning Committee is to provide feedback, insight, and guidance throughout the development and execution of the district's long-range strategic plan. The committee serves to foster community engagement, promote transparency, and ensure that the district's vision and goals reflect the aspirations and priorities of the Lovejoy ISD community.

Tentative Timeline:

September 17, 2025: Present Committee Charter
September 29, 2025: Recommend Board Action on Committee Charter
September 2025 - January 2026: Listening Circles
October 2, 2025: Open Stakeholder Committee Interest Form
October 31, 2025: Close Stakeholder Committee Interest Form
November 17, 2025: Recommend Board Action on Committee Membership
November 18, 2025: Notification to Stakeholders that Completed Interest Form
January and February 2026: LOVEJOY 2030 Stakeholder Committee Meetings (3)
March 30, 2026: Public Presentation of Draft LOVEJOY 2030 Update
April 13, 2026: Recommend Board Action on LOVEJOY 2030 Update

A recommendation to re-establish a committee will be presented at a future Board meeting. The community is encouraged to stay engaged throughout the process.

Update on New Legislation from the 89th Legislative Session

Leadership presented highlights of new legislation from the 89th Legislative Session, with a particular focus on parental rights and engagement.

Student Academic Achievement Update

The Administration presented current student achievement data and outlined ongoing initiatives to support all students in achieving high levels of academic success.

House Bill 3 Goals and Progress Measures (2025–2026)

Administration reviewed the **House Bill 3 (HB 3)** goals for the 2025-2026 school year, which will be brought forward for Board consideration at a future meeting. The presentation included data and information shared by our teachers, campus leaders as well as district leadership.

Under HB 3, school boards are required to adopt and monitor plans related to:

- Early childhood literacy
- Early childhood math
- College, Career, and Military Readiness (CCMR)

All plans must meet criteria outlined in Texas Education Code Sections 11.185 and 11.186.

Board Policy Update – EIF (LOCAL): Academic Achievement

An update was presented regarding the need to modify language in board policy due to our transition from a Senior Project to a Senior Portfolio requirement.

Proposed Policy Language:

*To graduate, students must complete all required courses mandated by both the District and the State. Each student must also satisfactorily complete all components of the District high school's Senior Project **Portfolio**.*

A recommendation for Board approval will be presented at a future meeting.

Board Liaison Appointment to Leadership Lovejoy

The Board of Trustees nominated and approved **Marvin Bobo** to serve as the Board Liaison to Leadership Lovejoy Class of 2026 in the Fall and **Aubrey Stock** to serve as the Board Liaison in the Spring.

The application window for the next Leadership Lovejoy cohort is open now through October 1st. Community members interested in learning more about Lovejoy ISD are encouraged to apply.