Why is Fox Tech proposing an in-district charter?



Improve Student Outcomes

Ultimately the most important reason that we are proposing an in-district charter is to solidify academic programs and systems that promote continued student success.

Drive School Autonomy

All approved in-district charters receive exemptions from specific district policies and procedures that will drive greater decision-making authority to the campus. This autonomy will allow us to tailor Fox Tech to meet the unique needs of our students, staff, and families.

Attract and Retain Students

San Antonio families have a wide array of school options, both inside and outside SAISD. Becoming an in-district charter school gives Fox Tech the opportunity to differentiate itself from other schools, better meet our families' needs, and ensure Fox Tech will be here for generations to come.

Create Community and Staff Ownership

Participating in this process encourages us to deeply engage with our campus staff, parents, and community about what Fox Tech is and what we want it to be. This type of engagement will create greater collaboration with the school community and lead to more long-term support for Fox Tech.

Seek Increased Campus Funding

As a new in-district charter school, Fox Tech may apply for competitive federal start-up grants. In the past, schools have been awarded approximately \$800,000 over two years to support planning and start-up expenses related to the schools' needs. There may also be other grants to support in-district charter schools; the district does not guarantee additional funding, but there are significant opportunities for obtaining funds that would not be available otherwise.



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Reassurances

- Free Public SAISD School
- SAISD teachers
 - o School Leadership will still be in charge of hiring and select all staff.
 - No Charter is approved without ¾ of classroom teachers support.
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- Health and Law Magnet Program Continuation
 - o Long term stability through the charter process autonomies
- P-TECH program implementation

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