

Columbia-Brazoria Independent School District

District of Innovation Plan

Introduction:

HB 1842 passed during the 84th Texas Legislative Session in spring 2015, providing Texas public school districts the opportunity to be designated as Districts of Innovation. To access these flexibilities, an eligible school district must adopt a five-year innovation plan, as set forth in Texas Education Code Chapter 12A.

Districts of Innovation may be exempted from a number of state statutes and will have:

- greater local control as the decision makers over the educational and instructional model for students;
- increased freedom and flexibility, with accountability, relative to state mandates that govern educational programming; and
- empowerment to innovate and think differently.

Districts are not exempt from statutes including curriculum and graduation requirements, and academic and financial accountability.

This plan will be in effect for the 2017-2018 instructional school year through the 2021-2022 school year. The District of Innovation Plan (DOI) plan may be amended at any time by the Columbia-Brazoria Independent School District Educational Improvement Committee (DEIC) with approval from the CBISD Board of Trustees.

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