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Budget items approved

- step raise for teachers
- 3 percent of mid-point raise for all other employees
- PreK student enrollment for CISD employees who don't qualify. Cost of \$1800 available as payroll deduction.
- Paid tuition for juniors and seniors taking dual credit courses
- \$3,000 stipends for teachers teaching math 6th – 12th grades and composite science 8th – 12th grades.
- Subject area specific science certification for secondary gets \$1,500 stipend.

Two cent tax decrease approved

The most significant action coming out of the latest CISD Board of Trustees meeting was a \$0.0178/\$100 valuation tax decrease. Director of Finance John Walker said the decrease was possible because student enrollment was up which in turn increased state funding. On a \$70,000 valued home, the savings annually would be \$12.46. Although savings are not significant, what other tax, fee or service cost has decreased lately.

Meal prices for the 2015-2016 were increased by five cents. This action was required as the District strives to charge the amount up to the federally reimbursed amount of \$2.70. Elementary lunches will be \$2.25 and secondary lunches will be \$2.50. Breakfasts will be \$1.50 for ACW and \$1.75 for secondary students.

The district's property and casualty claim history over the last five years contributed to a \$42,124 annual increase in rates. Damage to roofs during last year's severe weather resulted in a claim settlement of over \$700,000.

In other action, the Board employed Amber Sanders, Aaron Cleveland and Pam Eilers as CMS teachers. Tracy Brown will teach art at CMS and ACW. Roger Brown has been hired as a teacher/coach at CMS.



Students from ACW, CMS and CHS demonstrated how technology is used in their classrooms in the second presentation in as many months from the CISD Technology Department. Last month, Director of Technology Al Shipp explained how the District acquired and put in place the 10M broadband infrastructure. This month, Heather Kilgore, the District's Instructional Technology Specialist, explained how teachers were using technology and how BrightBytes surveys were used to analyze technology use and impact in the classroom.

