



# Blanket Independent School District

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SHAC Committee Meeting was held on Sept. 25, 2023:

> Cindy Wood and Melinda Sims were the attending members

Agenda for the meeting included:

- Student Mental Wellbeing
- Bullying Preventing
- Family and Community engagement
- HB 1525 & SB 9
- Set Goals for 23-24 School Year

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**Student Mental Wellbeing** being is being addressed through Character Strong (SEL Curriculum) and Rhithm app [currently Character Strong is being implemented in grades prek-5, region 15 is working on a SHAPE grant that will allow use to get Character Strong curriculum for the remaining grades and also the Rhithm app.

**Bullying Prevention:** Students can currently report bullying through the STOP it APP or through the anonymous reporting form on the district website. When an incident arises administration uses the Bullying checklist to determine if the incident is considered bullying and addresses as stated in the district policy.

**Family and Community Engagement:** GrandParent Day; Fall Festival; Thanksgiving Meal (proposed); Christmas program; Easter Egg hunt (proposed); Parent involvement in Concessions (proposed)

**HB 1525 & SB 9:** **HB 1525** is Sexuality Education; determining which grade is appropriate to address sex education and to what extent. The committee reviewed three other districts for references - Lockhart, Lorena, and Ponder ISD. The committee believes that it is appropriate to teach health in 7th grade and that parents should be the primary providers of human sexuality education, and the curriculum provided at school is meant to supplement what is taught at home, not to replace it. **SB9** addresses Appropriate grade levels and curriculum for instruction regarding: Child Abuse, Family Violence, Dating Violence, Sex Trafficking. The committee felt Dating violence and Sex Trafficking might be appropriate to introduce during 8th grade and 9th grade classes. Will wait and discuss family violence and child abuse at a later when more direction is given.

**Goals:** 1)Keep up anti- bullying program 2) Keep Family Engagement Going 3) Monitor SEL Programs for Student Mental Health