Accountability

- **Testing Standards** - We support streamlining the TEKS and assessing essential standards to allow teachers to focus on facilitating greater depth of student learning and understanding.

- **Testing Standards** - We support reducing the over-reliance on state mandated high stakes testing.

Finance

- **Capacity/Adequacy** - We support increased funding without mandates on how the new funds can be used.

  Specifically, we support:

  o legislation that provides the ability to make long-term financial decisions.
  o increased funding for technology-based instruction to ensure students have access to the resources that will prepare them for the 21st century workforce and 21st century learning methods.
  o a transition plan that helps target-revenue districts prepare for the impending funding cliff which will be a result of the elimination of Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction (ASATR) in 2017-2018.

Transparency

- **Ballot Language** – We support ballot language that provides accurate information that is consistent with ballot language required of other local subdivisions and the state.

Student Services

- **Mental Health Services** – We support legislation that adds funding and improves statewide mental health services, programs and treatments, especially as it relates to students, young adults and their families, and youth-related support agencies.