## Austin Independent School District

**District Advisory Council** 

DATE: October 20, 2021

TO: Eduardo Ramos, Chief Financial Officer

FROM: Andy Anderson, DAC Co-Chair

Dr. Jane Ross, DAC Co-Chair

Stephanie McGraw, DAC Coordinator

RE: DAC Strategic Budget Priorities for 2022-2023

Thank you for presenting very valuable information at the annual DAC retreat related to the coming year's budget. Based upon discussion and input from DAC member, following are DAC's top strategic budget priorities for 2022-2023, in alignment with the Board's strategic plan.

Continue to improve our Response to Intervention system that supports ALL student learners with an emphasize on Emergent Bilingual, SPED, and mental health services.

Focus on teacher retention along with compensation for teachers when planning is needed to implement new district initiatives.

Continue to fund our enrollment program to increase our student population.

Examine the cost of specific programs vs. overall expenditure for student academics. Prioritize teaching positions in our district.

Please consider these recommendations in preparation of the Preliminary Budget,