



May 16, 2022

Dear Dr. Young,

The Abilene ISD School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) has met regularly during the 2021-2022 school year and looked at different programs and policies. As the district designee supporting the Abilene Independent School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) this year, I am submitting the 2021-2022 SHAC report on behalf of the Abilene ISD SHAC. I am also providing a summary of the membership and meeting dates. Mandy Shuman and Linda Langston have served as the SHAC Co-Chairmen throughout the 2021-2022 school year.

The Abilene ISD School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) met on:

- September 27, 2021
- November 15, 2021
- February 28, 2022
- April 25, 2022

The SHAC members would like to thank the Abilene ISD School Board Members for their strong leadership through the challenges and celebrations, clarity through debate and decision making, and a sustained vision of excellence for our District. All of these qualities are essential for organizations to be successful. So thank you for your leadership, your commitment to our students and our community, and your support of our mission to continually improve the education system for our students.

The School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) has devoted time, resources, and brain power into keeping students, teachers, administration, and community safe and healthy as the schools opened to in-person teaching this school year. The SHAC has met district and legislative mandates through changes that were made in the 2021 Legislature Session and HB 1525. The SHAC has made adjustments to new legislative mandates that applied to the SHAC.

These changes included:

- SHAC must meet at least 4 times each year.
- For each meeting, the SHAC shall post notice of the date, hour, place, and subject of the upcoming SHAC meeting on a bulletin board, in the central administrative office of each campus in the district and on the district's website, at least 72 hours before the meeting.
- Allow the public to attend the meetings.
- Prepare and maintain minutes of the SHAC meeting that states the subject and content of each deliberation and each vote taken by the SHAC during the meeting.
- Make an audio or video recording of the meeting and post the recording no later than 10 days after the SHAC meeting on the district's website.

In reference to Education Code 28.004(b), the textbook committee for health education curriculum considered all recommendations in regard to choosing the new health textbook. SHAC members served on the committee that evaluated and made recommendation for the adoption of the curriculum materials for the school district's Health textbooks. The newly adopted Health Education curriculum standards (TEKS) will be going into effect in the 2022-2023 school year. Since the new Health TEKS will be incorporated into other subject content; the SHAC approved continuing to use our current Human Sexuality curriculum. Throughout the 2022-2023 school year; the SHAC committee will monitor the implementation of the new TEKS to ensure Human Sexuality requirements are covered.

Please know that I am available to answer questions and assist in providing information to the Abilene ISD Board of Trustees. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Linda Langston, RN

Director of Health Services