

Student Information System (SIS) Update

TUSD Governing Board Meeting

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Background

- **Mojave Student Management System (SMS)**
 - TUSD's current student record management system
 - Designed from the ground up by TUSD analysts and programmers
 - Composed of several integrated areas that facilitate scheduling, grading, registration, attendance, and required state reporting



Background

- **Student Accountability Information System (SAIS)**
 - Online application used to report student information required by the Arizona Department of Education (ADE)
 - Integrates with TUSD's Mojave SMS, which accurately transmits student enrollment and attendance records to ADE's SAIS



Background

- In order to meet legislative mandates, SAIS will be replaced by AzEDS (AZ Education Data Standards) by July 2015
 - TUSD's Mojave is not compatible with AzEDS



- In conjunction with this transition, ADE issued an RFP for a statewide Student Information System (SIS)
 - A representative from TUSD participated in the RFP process
 - Edupoint's Synergy SIS was awarded the contract



About AzEDS

- AzEDS is part of the Arizona Education Learning and Accountability System (AELAS), the state's comprehensive statewide information solution
- AzEDS uses the Common Education Data Standards (CEDS) being adopted by education systems across the nation to simplify the exchange of data between Local Education Agencies (LEAs) and their state agencies
- All education data systems must adopt these standards in order to send or receive data from ADE systems



About AzEDS

- TUSD's Mojave system is not compatible with AzEDS and the Arizona Education Learning and Accountability System
 - TUSD will not be able to send or receive required data from ADE as of June 2016
 - TUSD must implement a compatible SIS by June 2016



Options for TUSD

***Implement a compatible SIS by June
2016!***

Options for TUSD

- TUSD is currently evaluating Synergy, the state-sponsored SIS:

Advantages:

- Extensive student management functions at a dramatically reduced price
- Enhanced integration with other information systems.
- Seamless updates and state reporting

Options for TUSD

- **Disadvantages:** Successful execution is dependent on an extension of the implementation deadline by the State
- Migration to new system will require substantial effort and resources
- An ERP implementation is currently underway, there is extreme risk implementing a SIS at the same time

Options for TUSD

- TUSD plans to make a recommendation for a new SIS to the Governing Board in November