

Bundle 22 – Regional Education

Context, Policies, and Actions

Regionalism – Regional Education

WEBSITE CONTEXT – Other partners for the City of Plano are the local and regional education providers. Educational opportunities and quality of education are major factors in determining a community of choice. While school districts serving Plano receive strong local support that enables academic excellence, the city should advocate for reliable and adequate state funding for education. In addition, access to Tier 1 research institutions and other quality colleges and universities enhance the economic competitiveness of Plano and the region. Partnerships with local and regional education providers will ensure quality academic opportunities for the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

POLICY – Plano will partner with education institutions to provide quality educational opportunities to retain students in the region and for economic development opportunities to attract businesses seeking universities to provide research and development opportunities.

- RE1)** Participate in research and economic development opportunities with local colleges and universities.
 - RE2)** Support initiatives to improve the quality of and accessibility to educational resources in Plano.
 - RE3)** Attract and retain the presence of higher education institutions within the City of Plano.
 - RE4)** Support Collin College’s efforts for academic excellence and provide student opportunities for professional work experience including corporate and business partnerships.
 - RE5)** Support the efforts of educational institutions in utilizing new technologies that improve access to higher education and vocational training for Plano residents.
 - RE6)** Participate in partnerships with local schools and businesses to provide student opportunities for internships, job skills, and professional work place experience.
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Changes Tracked from Original Ordinance

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WEBSITE CONTEXT – Other partners for the City of Plano are the local and regional education providers. Educational opportunities [and quality of education](#) are major factors in determining a community of choice. While school districts serving Plano receive strong local support that enables academic excellence, the city should advocate for reliable and adequate state funding for public education. In addition, ~~the Dallas-Fort Worth region has many quality universities; however, there is not a major access to~~ Tier 1 research institutions [and other quality colleges and universities in our area](#). ~~Access to a university of this magnitude will~~ enhance the economic competitiveness of [Plano and](#) the region. Partnerships with local and regional education providers will ensure quality academic opportunities for the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

POLICY – Plano will partner with ~~local and regional~~ education institutions to provide quality educational opportunities to retain students in the region and for economic development opportunities to attract businesses seeking universities to provide research and development opportunities.

- RE1)** ~~Assist the University of Texas at Dallas with obtaining Tier I status through the provision and funding of~~ [Participate in research and economic development opportunities with local colleges and universities](#).
- RE2)** ~~Advocate with the State of Texas to provide for adequate funding of public~~ [Support initiatives to improve the quality of and accessibility to educational resources in Plano](#).
- RE3)** [Attract and R](#)etain the presence of ~~Southern Methodist University (SMU) and Dallas Baptist University (DBU)~~ [higher education institutions](#) within the City of Plano ~~by offering assistance in establishing a permanent space for facilities~~.
- RE4)** ~~Partner with~~ [Support](#) Collin College's efforts for academic excellence and ~~by~~ providing student opportunities for professional work experience [including corporate and business partnerships](#) ~~and supporting the institution's efforts for academic excellence~~.
- RE5)** [Support the efforts of educational institutions in utilizing new technologies that improve access to higher education and vocational training for Plano residents](#).
- RE6)** [Participate in partnerships with local schools and businesses to provide student opportunities for internships, job skills, and professional work place experience](#).