

Dripping Springs

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

August 26, 2024

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.
City of Dripping Springs
511 Mercer Street
Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Subject: Dripping Springs Mountain Bike Club

Dear Mayor Foulds:

Thank you for reaching out for clarification of Dripping Springs ISD's affiliation with Dripping Springs Mountain Bike Team. It is our understanding that the group is a local non-profit 501(c)(3) organization registered to a private address and governed by a Board of Directors unaffiliated with the DSISD School Board. A brief search of IRS records and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts records shows that the entity referred to as the "Dripping Springs Mountain Bike Club" is indeed a non-profit entity (EIN: 81-0780662 and Texas Taxpayer ID # 32060063370). While members may also be enrolled in DSISD, that team is composed of other individuals who are not enrolled at the District. As such, any oversight of the group would be beyond our scope. Furthermore, our Board Policy FNAB (LOCAL) indicates that "Noncurriculum-related student groups shall not be sponsored by the District and shall in no way imply to students or to the public that they are school-sponsored."

I appreciate the group for providing students a safe place to learn about and participate in mountain biking; however, Dripping Springs ISD does not have any affiliation with the group. I expect DSISD students and families may participate in club activities during their personal time; however, the practices, races, and events are not sponsored by the school district nor do we employ any of the coaches or sponsors.

If you or any of your committee members have any questions, please contact me at (512) 858-3002 or by email at superintendent@dsisdtx.us.

Sincerely,



Dr. Holly Morris-Kuentz
Superintendent
Dripping Springs ISD