

**Proposed Amendment to the
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment

This amendment, proposed by the UIL/TMEA music advisory committee, would allow magnet schools to compete in music events based on the school's actual enrollment, unless the school is a music magnet.

B. Factual and Policy Justifications

Current rule requires that non disciplinary alternative school programs compete in the conference of the school having the highest enrollment in the school district. In music some perceive that these schools are at a disadvantage due to having low enrollments and having to participate with and compete against much larger schools. For example, a magnet school with an enrollment of 300 that is part of a school district with at least one 6A school would be placed in 6A. UIL *Constitution & Contest Rules* Section 1102(a)(3) already has an exception that permits a school that "opts up" (participates in a higher conference than their enrollment places them) have the option to participate in music in the conference in which their actual enrollment places them.

C. Proposed Amendment

Section 1102 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows:

Section 1102: GENERAL REGULATIONS

(a) SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY. Schools shall participate in UIL music competitions and events based on assignment to conferences in even numbered years. See Section 1102(h).

(4) *NON-MUSIC MAGNET SCHOOLS*. MAGNET SCHOOLS THAT ARE NOT A MUSIC MAGNET MAY PARTICIPATE IN MUSIC COMPETITIONS AND EVENTS IN THE CONFERENCE IN WHICH THEIR ACTUAL ENROLLMENT WOULD PLACE THEM.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This amendment should not have a significant fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

If approved by the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education, this amendment shall be effective August 1, 2018.