Celebration of Life for Zion Lampley
Talking Points for Spring ISD Superintendent
Dr. Lupita Hinojosa
Fallbrook Church
Friday, February 24, 2023 | 11 a.m.

- Thank you, Pastor Pender. And thank you all for having me here to join with you in this celebration of life for Zion.

- To Zion's family and friends gathered with us here today, please know that you have the love and support of the entire Spring ISD family. We are all devastated by the loss of this promising young man.

- As superintendent, the young man I hold in memory today was a student, a sophomore at Dekaney High School, a devoted athlete, and a beloved member of our community.

- He was a Junior Varsity football player under the leadership of Coach Anthony Williams, who has spoken fondly of Zion’s spirit and his love for the game.

- His family members described him as a "goofy" teen, but he was also someone who was deeply trusting and fiercely loyal to those he loved.

- Three of his siblings currently attend McNabb Elementary School, and we are taking close care of them and ensuring they have all of the love and support we can give them during this time.

- In Hebrew, the name Zion means “highest point” or “holy place.” For people of faith, over thousands of years, that name has also embodied the hope of restoration, of reconciliation, and of the fulfillment of the promises of God.

- It's a beautiful name, a name to treasure, and as we mourn the loss of Zion, we also honor his name and his memory by holding tight to the values he embodied – kindness,