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CALALLEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: April 20, 2026

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Consider approval of the annual renewal fee for NWEA MAP Universal Screener for Reading, Language, Science and Math for all CISD campuses

PRESENTER: Joanne Ferguson, Director of Curriculum

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation/Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Consent | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Informational Report | <input type="checkbox"/> Old Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only |

SUMMARY: During the 2022-23; 2023-24; 2024-25; and 2025-26 school year, CISD has utilized NWEA’s (Northwest Evaluation Association) universal screener to identify student deficits in reading, language, and math. The implementation of a universal screener was imperative to the future success of the district Response to Intervention program.

NWEA provides an assessment that creates a personalized assessment experience by adapting to each student’s learning level—precisely measuring student progress and growth for each individual. The data provided is not only utilized to identify students with deficits for intervention, measure student growth for the Teacher Incentive Allotment, but also as an assessment of English Language Learner language acquisition and for the identification of Gifted and Talented students. For the 2024-25 school year, Science for grades 3-8, Biology, Algebra I and II, and Geometry were added.

The quote cost for the renewal of this program is \$65,600.75 a decrease from last year by \$946.75. Pricing for these assessments were secured through the Choice Partners Purchasing Cooperative under contract # 22/038SG.

The addition of a universal screener provided a common assessment from kindergarten through grade 12 that allows us to measure student progress in specific skills over time. The ability to evaluate our curriculum vertically through student growth is an essential element in increasing efficiency and efficacy of our programs.

DISTRICT PRIORITIES:

PRIORITY 1: Building and Sustaining a Culture of Performance and Preparedness for Life Beyond High School	1.1 Academic Growth and Achievement
PRIORITY 2: Building and Sustaining a Culture of Faculty and Staff Commitment	N/A
PRIORITY 3: Increasing Community Engagement and Commitment	N/A
PRIORITY 4: Effective and Efficient Operations	N/A

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends the Board approve the annual renewal fee for the NWEA MAP Universal Screener for Reading, Language, Science and Math for all CISD campuses in the amount of \$65,600.75

MOTION LANGUAGE: No specific language required.

FUNDING SOURCE AND FINANCIAL IMPACT: Not Applicable

Funding Source: Local Curriculum Funds	Financial Impact: \$65,600.75
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