



Topic: Crossroads East Update
Presenter(s): Deb Parson, Director of Student Services

Recommendation

This agenda item is for discussion purposes only, no board action is needed.

Background Information

On Friday, May 15, 2026:

Nexus received a notice from DHS whereby they issued a Temporary Immediate Suspension (which is essentially a suspension on the program license), which required Nexus to discharge all youth from that facility.

On Friday, June 12, 2026

Nexus reached an agreement with DHS that lifted the temporary immediate suspension. The suspension being lifted allows Nexus to operate under the license as they did before, but to rebuild at a reduced youth capacity, to demonstrate agreed upon improvements, tighten up their clinical oversight of youths' care and treatment to ensure safety, and to implement changes based on ongoing findings.

Nexus plans to take several months to rebuild the program and protocols before they start re-admitting youth. Nexus will also be operating under new leadership both administratively and clinically. As a result, they have secured the services of Dr. Annie Johansson to stand in as the Nexus Interim Executive Director and have currently turned their attention to clinical leadership over the coming weeks.

Impact on St Francis staffing:

Staffing plan:

1 admin: Program Supervisor

1 licensed staff

Teacher of record as needed

As student numbers increase, Behavior Interventionists will be added