

Devine Independent School District Board of Trustees Agenda Document

Meeting Date: July 22, 2024

Agenda Item: Devine ISD Mental Health Counseling Program 2024-2025

Background Information:

Devine ISD has made providing a Mental Health Counseling Program for students and staff a priority beginning in 2019. The program looks to bring a Licensed Professional Counselor to DISD on a daily basis to work with students that must meet criteria and be referred by the campus counselors for evaluation. These students and their families may not have access to help otherwise.

Administrative Consideration:

The District has posted and communicated with three counseling programs: Communities in Schools - San Antonio (CISSA), K-Star, and Bluebonnet. Each provides counseling outside of school, and one does not have LPCs. CISSA is the only comprehensive program that would provide a LPC to Devine on a daily basis.

Budgetary Consideration:

\$88,000 has been budgeted for a Counseling program

Supporting Documents:

CISSA Delivery of Services

Recommendation:

Approve CISSA to provide a Mental Health Counseling program, as they not only provide a Licensed Professional Counselor to DISD daily, but they would have the resources of the entire CISSA.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Approved by:

Todd Grandjean

Superintendent of Schools