

**Craig City School District** 

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## Memorandum Item 10e

TO: CCSD School Board Members
FROM: Jackie Hanson, Superintendent
DATE: October 24, 2024
SUBJECT: Next Level Speech Therapy (NLST) Contract & Service Agreement Addendums

Attached to this memo are the Contract and Service Agreement Addendums from Next Level Speech Therapy (NLSP) for CCSD's Teletherapy Speech and Language Services during the 2024-2025 school year.

In my August and September Board Reports, I outlined several challenges associated with the original contract and service agreement signed with NLST in February 2024. Alongside my concerns about the financial commitment (estimated at \$155K), when NLST reassigned CCSD's original Speech & Language Pathologist (SLP), my internal assessment of CCSD's Speech & Language caseload and services revealed a significant discrepancy of more than 20-hours compared to NLST's original service agreement.

Renegotiating terms after CCSD had already signed a contract and agreement with NLST while simultaneously working to secure a new SLP, proved to be no simple task. In end, the Contract Addendum reflects a projected cost savings to CCSD (estimated at \$60K) and the Service Agreement Addendum is more closely aligned to CCSD's Speech & Language caseload and service needs.

Suggested Motion: Move to approve acceptance of the Contract and Service Agreement Addendums from Next Level Speech Therapy (NLST) for CCSD's Teletherapy Speech and Language Services during the 2024-2025 school year, as presented.