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Topic: Cooperative Agreement between Grand Prairie Independent School District Special Education Department and Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc.

Submitted by: Kristin Byrd, Chief Financial Officer

Approved for Transmittal:

Board Meeting Date: September 17, 2026

Recommendation:

The administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the Cooperative Agreement between Grand Prairie Independent School District Special Education Department and Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc. for educational and related services for children with disabilities.

Rationale:

This cooperative agreement with Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc., will allow Grand Prairie Independent School District Special Education Department and Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc. to collaborate in all areas of educational and related services for children with disabilities in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and policies/procedures of both sponsoring agencies.

This agreement shall be in effect for the 2026-2027 school year and will be reviewed annually or on an as-needed basis. Either party may terminate the agreement upon thirty (30) days' written notice. Both Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc. and the Grand Prairie Independent School District Special Education Department shall follow the requirements as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

CH (Legal) and CH (Local)

Board Goals:

- ☒ Goal 1 – Early Childhood Literacy Proficiency
- ☒ Goal 2 – Early Childhood Math Proficiency
- ☐ Goal 3 – College, Career, & Military Readiness (CCMR)
- ☐ Goal 4 – Middle School Reading Proficiency
- ☐ Other