



SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

October 5, 2026

SUBJECT: CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND ENGAGEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING (NIET) FOR LEARNING ACCELERATION SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES (LASO) GRANT SUPPORT

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the purchase and engagement with the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (NIET) for LASO grant support and authorize the Superintendent to execute the agreement and related documents.

RATIONALE: Administration has requested support from the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (NIET), to support implementation of the LASO Leadership and Instructional Foundations for Texas (LIFT), Implementation Phase, and SI PLC grants for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school year.

NIET will provide a coordinated set of services designed to strengthen instructional systems, build educator capacity, and support sustainable improvement across participating schools and the district. The services will support the effective implementation of High-Quality Instructional Materials (HQIM) and the priorities established through the Texas LIFT initiative.

The partnership is intended to provide a comprehensive framework for implementing the District's LASO priorities while building internal capacity for continued instructional improvement. NIET is part of Texas Education Agency's State Approved Provider List (SAPL)

BUDGET PROVISIONS/ACTION REQUIRED: \$1,141,900.00
2026-2027 Budget

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