

**BELDING AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING**

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FOR ACTION

SUBJECT: Section 31aa Funding

Background and Findings:

Section 31aa of the State School Aid Act (MCL 388.1631aa) provides funding to support school safety and student mental health initiatives across Michigan. Participation in the 31aa program (“31aa Funding”) is voluntary and requires eligible districts to affirmatively opt in to receive such funds.

Section 31aa requires that districts electing to receive funding agree to certain conditions, including cooperation with a comprehensive investigation in the event of a “mass casualty event,” as defined by the statute, and a waiver of legal privileges otherwise applicable to such investigations.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board opt-in to State School Aid Act Section 31aa Funding.