



**Board Meeting Date:** April 7, 2025

**Title:** Bloomington-Edina-Richfield Family Services Collaborative Governing Agreement

**Type:** Consent

**Presenter(s):** Dr. Anne Marie Leland, Community Education and Strategic Partnerships (CESP) Director

**Description:** The Edina Family Services Collaborative (founded in 2002), currently advised by the Edina Community Council and coordinated by Edina Resource Center staff, has the opportunity to partner with Bloomington and Richfield Public Schools to expand our Collaborative. Edina Public Schools will continue to serve as the Collaborative Fiscal Agent and employ the Collaborative Coordinator.

Family Services Collaboratives are part of State Statute 142D.14 which focuses on children birth to age 18, or birth through age 21 for individuals with disabilities. The expanded partnership will maintain stable Local Collaborative Time Study (LCTS) funding streams, allow us to better serve our students and families, and encourage innovative, collaborative programming.

The purpose of a Family Services Collaborative is to improve the social, emotional, educational, and economic outcomes of all children, youth, and their families in our respective communities by mitigating risk factors and enhancing protective factors and for the purpose of creating an integrated service delivery system for children, youth, and their families with multiple and special needs. The Collaborative must use the latest knowledge and best practices available in relevant professional fields and service delivery approaches. The Collaborative shall not function as a service provider but shall perform activities that build a sense of community, maintain quality education, strengthen families, and ensure safe neighborhoods by breaking down barriers to communication, collaborating and involving multiple sectors of the community to work together to effect change.

**Recommendation:** Approve the Bloomington-Edina-Richfield Family Services Collaborative Governing Agreement.

**Desired Outcomes from the Board:** Approval of the attached Bloomington-Edina-Richfield Family Services Collaborative Governing Agreement.

**Attachments:** Bloomington-Edina-Richfield Family Services Collaborative Governing Agreement