

**Questions Submitted by Luis Rodriguez**

**May 16, 2018**

**Regular Called Board Meeting**

**Consent Agenda Item #2**

What is the success rate of this program?

***Kidz Treehouse supports special education with regards to therapy, testing and ARD participation. The success rate of the therapy is based on each student IEP goals and objective. Our goal is to decrease speech services as the student makes progress on their IEP goals and objectives.***

How many students are in this program?

***We have approximately 466 students that qualify for speech services, this is an increase of 49 students from 2016-2017 school year.***

How many hours per student does this program currently cover?

(based on this the total is 864 hours with additional 410 hours with a \$30,000 increase)

***This additional amount is needed to cover speech testing due to an increase in speech referrals for testing and provide speech therapy services.***

***Speech Language Pathologist Assistant (SLPA) to provide support to Shepard MS & Hutchins ES 147 hours for therapy (\$68.00 per hour) due to an increase in qualifying students***

***Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) - to provide testing, report writing and ARD recommendations 274 hours (\$73.00 per hour)***

How many more students we are expecting?

***Due to the increase in testing requests for the current year, there are 25 students that will be tested before the end of the school year, as parent request interventions. We have 20 Child Find students that must be tested by August 15, 2018.***

How many independent contractors are assigned to work with our students?

***We are currently using 18 independent contractors for OT, PT, Speech, Evaluations, APE, VI and O & M.***

How long have we done business with this contractor?

***We have contracted with Kidz Treehouse for the past 6 years.***