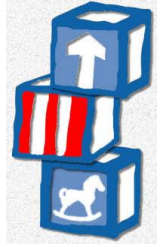




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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

**ECTOR COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
GOPB, INC. HEAD START SCHOOL READINESS ACADEMY**

This agreement is between Ector County Independent School District and the Greater Opportunities of the Permian Basin, Inc. Head Start School Readiness Academy. This agreement will be in effect from September 2024 to May 2025 and will be reviewed on an annual basis.

I. PURPOSE OF INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT:

The purpose of this agreement is to establish a partnership between Ector County Independent School District and GOPB, Inc. Head Start School Readiness Academy regarding children transitioning from GOPB to the public school.

It is the intent of this agreement to:

- A. Define services to be provided by each agency.
- B. To ensure a smooth transition between the Head Start setting and the public school setting.
- C. Ensure that each agency assumes the responsibilities and by doing so, ensure available resources are utilized in the most effective manner.
- D. Ensure that the cooperative arrangements between Ector County ISD and Head Start are developed, implemented and reviewed at least annually.

II. ITEMS OF COLLABORATION:

Ector County Independent School District will:

- A. Provide necessary information to enhance a smooth transition.
- B. Provide available data to GOPB, Inc. Head Start Transition Manager tracking Head Start children.

- C. Participate in the transition activities.
- D. Abide by the confidentiality laws of the state and federal government, including, but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

GOPB, Inc. Head Start School Readiness Academy will:

- A. Follow procedures for transferring student records to Ector County Independent School District procedures are as follows:
 - 1. Parent signs consent form.
 - 2. Forms and letters are completed and placed in folder.
 - 3. Teachers prepare student's folders; the parent takes it to the next school setting.
- B. Abide by the confidentiality laws of the state and federal government including, but not limited to, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

III. TRANSITION ACTIVITIES:

Ector County Independent School District will:

- A. Provide parents the opportunity to attend trainings and speakers.
- B. Invite parents and children to local schools and introduce children to the teachers.

GOPB, Inc. Head Start School Readiness Academy will:

- A. Prepare children and their parents for transitioning into public school system.
- B. Schedule a transition training for Head Start parents.
- C. Invite personnel of the Ector County Independent School District to visit Head Start Sites.

This Memorandum of Understanding will be reviewed on an annually basis or as needed.

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