

MEETING DATE: August 19, 2019

AGENDA ITEM: Random Student Drug Testing

PRESENTER: Scott Kessel, Executive Director of Student Services

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Per Policy FNF (Local), Aledo ISD has operated a student drug testing program within the athletics department for several years.
- The underlying philosophy of the current athletics drug testing program is to serve as a deterrent and offer students a vehicle to resist the temptation of using illegal drugs.
- Board policy revisions related to Update 113 advise removing the details of a district's drug testing procedures from policy FNF (Local) and placing it into administrative regulation.
- At the request of parents and staff, expansion of the pool of students to be tested beyond those in athletics has been discussed over the last two years.
- Modification of some of the drug-testing procedures and substances tested for has been discussed over the last few months.
- The administration has made the decision to increase the pool of students tested to include students involved in activities other than athletics. In addition, students will be tested for nicotine use, as well as drugs.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

\$3000 to expand pool and drug-test more students

ATTACHMENTS:

Random Student Drug Testing Presentation

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

Communication item only