

Books2Go Memorandum of Understanding between Denton ISD and the Denton Public Library

August 11, 2020

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Denton Independent School District (Denton ISD) and the Denton Public Library (DPL) which allows all students in Denton ISD to use their student Identification (ID) cards to check out materials from the Denton Public Library. At the present time this is limited to students who live within the Denton city limits. This MOU expands this to students living outside the Denton city limits.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Currently, families living outside the City of Denton must pay a fee in order to use the Denton Public Library. This MOU gives all students in Denton ISD access to materials at no cost.

- The Denton Public Library presented, and the City Council approved this at their June meeting. This memorandum allows students to check out 3 physical materials and unlimited digital materials using their student ID card. A Pilot program will be conducted first with Cross Oaks and Rodriguez in order to work through any technical details, but this will be expanded to all students by the 2021-2022 school year. Current students not in the pilot may have the same privileges by requesting a "Youth Courtesy Card" from the Denton Public Library.

- No fines will be charged unless an item is lost. This mirrors the policy in Denton ISD.

FUTURE PLANS:

- We hope to provide courier service to deliver materials to the schools in the future. We are working with Publications to add the North Branch of the Denton Public Library to the courier's route. This would allow us to pick up/drop off materials when traveling to Strickland next door.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- None

- Adding a stop to the courier's route

- For fiscal year(s) 2020-2021 the Denton Public Library is purchasing traveling bins to distribute materials and the Denton ISD Library Services is providing courier bags to distribute materials. Bins will be used when a large number of materials are being distributed to schools. Bags will be used to distribute items to specific students. This is in preparation for future Concierge service to the campus.

- Cost of action over the years is estimated to be minimal.

- Costs will be split between Denton Public Library and Denton ISD Library Services.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Passage will allow students additional print and digital materials for students in an area with limited public library access. This will Supplement the Library2Go Mobile Library (bookmobile) during the times the mobile library is not running.

- Will provide teachers with extra assistance in ...

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed ...

OTHER COMMENTS:

- Supportive statements

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: *To approve the MOU between Denton ISD and the Denton Public Library to allow students to use their Student ID card to borrow materials from the Denton Public library/*

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Donna Kearley, Library Coordinator

ATTACHMENT:

- MOU between Denton ISD and the Denton Public Library
- Cover sheet that was sent to the Denton City Council.

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____