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Superintendent of Schools

To: RIMSD 41 Board of Education
From: Dr. Sharon Williams
Jeff Dase, Deputy Superintendent
Cabinet Champion: Alicia Sanders, Director of Student Services
Date: July 22, 2025
Re: Approval of Contract with Black Hawk Area Special Education District (BHASED)
For Specialized Services

As a member district of the Black Hawk Area Special Education District (BHASED), we collaborate to provide specialized services that support the unique needs of scholars with disabilities. BHASED offers a continuum of special education services, including instructional programs, related services, evaluations, and staff consultation for scholars whose needs exceed the resources of individual districts.

The cost is determined based on the district's participation formula, scholar enrollment, and services provided, with an estimated total not to exceed \$2,600,000.00 funded through District Special Education Funds and IDEA Grant Funds. Below is a breakdown of the annual cost the district has been billed for students' services over the past three years.

Fiscal Year	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026 Not to Exceed
Black Hawk Area Special Education District (BHASED)	\$2,562,151	\$2,422,777.98	\$2,468,387	\$2,600,000

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Black Hawk Special Education District (BHASED), 4670 11th Street, East Moline, IL 61244-4432, for the 2025-2026 school year.

Investment Period: July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

Total Investment: not to exceed \$2,600,000

Funding Source: District Special Education Funds and IDEA Grant Funds

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