



Board of Education

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Director of Student Services, Krissy Goebbert
DATE: 5/7/26
RE: Targeted Status Consultants

This memo is:

- Information only.
- Information with a recommendation, and a request for Board consent.
- Information with a recommendation, and a request for Board approval by vote.

Date by which a Board decision is needed: ___ May 7, 2026 _____

Previous memos on this topic can be found:

- in previous Board packet(s) dated. _____
- or attached to this memo

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| <p>Basic information:</p> <p>Indian Knoll and Lemay have been identified as “Targeted Status” by ISBE, specifically due to the student group, “Children with Disabilities.”</p> <p>As a result, both schools created Targeted Action Teams to complete an ISBE needs assessment and identify root causes of our problem.</p> <p>Part of the plan moving forward is to bring in a consultant to support with the needs identified. PLACE and Fair625 are consulting companies that specialize in supporting special education.</p> |
| <p>Background or historical information:</p> <p>Krissy, Sam, Whitnie, and Maggie attended the Illinois SLD conference, where they listened to and met with presenters from PLACE. The presentations were directly aligned with both schools' needs assessment and root causes as determined by their Targeted Action Team.</p> <p>All Abilities Fair run by Fair625 provides disability awareness in schools. This company provides professional development and tools to have an All Abilities Fair within our buildings. Disability Awareness for staff and students aligns with our Targeted Action Plans.</p> <p>When schools become targeted they are provided with additional grant money to support the Targeted Action Plans through a School Improvement Grant. Money from this grant will be used along with IDEA grant funds.</p> |

Previous decisions, actions or parameters that relate to this topic or issue: (Options) 3 options

For the 2026-2027 School Year, Indian Knoll and Lemman will:

- 1) Collaborate with both PLACE and Fair625 to address the root causes as determined by the ISBE needs assessment by having the consultants provide meaningful, targeted, and ongoing professional development to all staff during Institute days, SIP Days, and PD days.

Dr. Terri Marx- PLACE:

2026 Summer Total Cost 2026 \$3,937.50

2026-2027 total cost \$47,643.7

Faire365:

2026-2027 Total Cost \$10,000

- 2) Admin will collaborate with PLACE and Fair265 consultants virtually only.

PLACE Consultation:

Total Cost \$7,500

Fair625 Support and Consultation:

Total Cost \$1,250 per school

- 3) Not utilize PLACE and Fair625 as collaborative partners.

Total Cost \$0

Recommendations: (Recommendations) and (Evaluate)

For the 2026-2027, we recommend option 1- to collaborate with both PLACE and Fair625 to address the root causes as determined by the ISBE needs assessment by having the consultants provide meaningful, targeted, and ongoing professional development to all staff during Institute days, SIP Days, and PD days.

Other questions? What else does the Board wish to know?:

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