



EAST AURORA
SCHOOL DISTRICT 131

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Date: June 16th, 2025
To: Dr. Robert Halverson, Superintendent of Schools
East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education
From: Dr. Ami Engel, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment
Subject: East Aurora High School Lunch Block FTE

Issue:

East Aurora School District 131 is maximizing the instructional time for students at East Aurora High School on the block schedule. During the Skills for Success course students will have 42 minutes of lunch and 42 minutes for instruction. This goal of this course is to prepare students for postsecondary success.

Justification:

To support the Skills for Success course, instructors will be needed along with contracting with two community partners. The community partners will provide national certifications for our students. Aurora Fire Museum will provide our students instruction to receive their first aid, AED, and Red Cross CPR two-year certification, and Kids Matter will provide our students instruction to receive a three-year Youth Mental Health First Aid certification.

Board Policy and Past Practice:

Past practice of the district is to support schools with the staffing and programming needed to provide the highest quality of education for all of our students. Postsecondary success for all has been a direct focus.

Strategic Plan:

This proposal supports Strategic Goal #1 Educational Equity: East Aurora School District 131 will meet the diverse needs of all students by providing opportunities to decrease the gaps of college enrollment and career preparedness and Strategic Goal #4, Student Achievement: East Aurora School District 131 will ensure the academic success of all students by closing the opportunity gap and preparing students for success in reading and math on national assessments.

Supporting Data:

There are 300 students in 9th grade enrolling in the Skills for Success course. These students will have the opportunity to develop skills towards postsecondary success.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Aurora Fire Museum and Kids Matter Partnership in the amount of \$93,500, paid for through Title IV funds.

Timeline for Decision:

July 7th, 2025

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