

GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: October 3, 2017

TITLE: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Pima Community College

District Regarding the Upward Bound Program at Amphitheater High School

Pursuant to A.R.S. §11-951 through 954.

BACKGROUND:

Pima Community College has received a grant from the Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education to continue the "Upward Bound Program" which it has been offering to Amphitheater High School students since 2008. This program provides training, mentoring and enrichment for high school students who are academically and economically at risk with a focus on increasing their academic achievement and providing them with the skills and knowledge needed to successfully persist to graduation and to enter and succeed in college.

The Governing Board initially approved the Upward Bound/AHS Agreement on April 22, 2008 and renewed it on July 3, 2012. Pima Community College received the current grant to operate Upward Bound from June 1, 2017 to May 31, 2022. Through this grant, Pima Community College proposes to continue the program at Amphitheater High School under the terms and conditions set forth in the proposed Memorandum of Understanding. As Upward Bound is grant-funded, there will be no exchange of funds incidental to this Memorandum of Understanding.

Under the terms of the agreement, Pima Community College will provide training, mentoring and enrichment activities annually to selected students at Amphitheater High School to introduce and motivate them to pursue higher education. Proposed services include counseling, advisement, tutoring, summer programs, student workshops, parent workshops, dual enrollment and field trips to college campuses. The dual enrollment coursework, such as writing, mathematics, reading, history, student development, computer science applications and biology, will be offered at Pima Community College's Downtown Campus.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends that this Memorandum of Understanding between Pima Community College and Amphitheater Unified School District for the Upward Bound Program be approved.

INITIATED BY:

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Associate to the Superintendent and General Counsel

Date: September 25, 2017

Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent