# TISDTerrell Independent School District <u>Executive Summary Report</u>

| Date              | District Guiding Pillar  |  |
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| November 17, 2025 | Goal 1: Student Achievement: Accelerate student learning to dramatically increase the number of students who perform on or above grade level. Goal 2: School Culture: Create safe and secure learning environments that focus on the social, emotional, and cultural needs of every student. Goal 3: Human Capital and Resources: Develop the capacity of every teacher and staff member to deliver rigorous, enriching learning experiences to every student and ensure safety of all |  |

**Agenda Item:** Consider the Renewal of MOU Between TISD and TSH Until Termination Date of May 29, 2028

# Summary:

The purpose of this item is the expansion of the Texas Health Learning Garden at Dr. Bruce Wood Elementary and J. W. Long ES. Learning healthy habits at a young age can carry lifetime benefits. School gardens encourage students to eat fruits and vegetables, stay active, and are linked to happier moods, lower rates of obesity, and healthier habits lasting into adulthood. When campus gardening programs began to wither after the pandemic, Texas Health and its partners dug in, helping new gardens take root throughout the community.

Local companies and community organizations assist with funding and volunteers, while parents, school staff, neighborhood partners, and even students help plant, weed, water, and keep the gardens growing. Texas Health also supports a learning garden expert (hired consultant by Texas Health) who assists with garden planning, configuration, crop selection and planting, cultivation, and integration of garden activities into curriculum and lesson plans.

#### Attachments:

Memorandum of Understanding.pdf

### **Administrative Recommendation:**

Administration recommends the adoption of the Texas Health Community Hope Learning Garden

## **Budget/Funding**

N/A