Consider approval of the Parent Child Incorporated (PCI) MOU for the 2025-2026 school year

## 1. Background:

Southwest Independent School District is requesting the approval of the 2025-2026 MOU with Parent/Child Incorporated (PCI). PCI will provide an Early Head Start (EHS) and Head Start Preschool Program for infants and/or toddlers, pregnant teens and their 3 year olds. The age of enrollment of children in PCI's EHS program is six weeks to 3 years of age, and for Head Start Preschool the age is up to 4 years. The Early Head Start Program services will also be provided to newborns for teen mothers enrolled in the Southwest Independent School District's School Aged Parenting Program and Cohort 2025 graduates.

## 2. Process:

The partnership will provide quality, comprehensive Early Head Start services for sixteen newborns, infants, toddlers, pregnant teens, Cohort 2025 graduates of Southwest Independent School District's students. PCI will address cognitive and socialization, based upon age and developmentally appropriate practices necessary to meet the needs of the children served by the district. Southwest Independent School District will provide a total of six existing rooms and a playground area for the Early Head Start Program.

# 3. <u>Fiscal Impact</u>

None.

#### 4. Recommendation

That the Board approves the Parent Child Incorporated (PCI) MOU for the 2025-2026 school year

### 5. Required

Board Action.