

MEETING DATE: September 16, 2019

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Board Proclamation regarding 2019 Start With

Hello Week

PRESENTER: Scott Kessel, Executive Director of Student Services

ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S): Safety - The District will maintain a safe and orderly environment.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Sandy Hook Promise is a non-profit organization created by parents of the shooting victims at Sandy Hook Elementary School
- The mission of *Sandy Hook Promise* is to create a culture engaged in preventing shootings, violence, and other harmful acts in schools
- Start With Hello is a Sandy Hook Promise program developed and intended for implementation in schools to create communities of inclusion that value each and every individual
- Sandy Hook Promise and all of its programs are fully funded and come at no cost to schools
- Start With Hello was reviewed and approved by the Aledo ISD SHAC during the 2018-2019 school year for implementation during the 2019-2020 school year
- Start With Hello activities include classroom lessons, videos, announcements, posters, social media posts, etc.
- The national launch for Start With Hello week is September 23-27
- Each Aledo ISD campus will be implementing the Start With Hello program this school year with the initial launch aligning with the week of September 23-27

FISCAL NOTE: None

ATTACHMENT:

Aledo Independent School District Board of Trustees Proclamation regarding 2019 Start With Hello Week

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends the approval of a Board proclamation to establish the week of September 23-27 as *Start With Hello* Week in Aledo ISD