



**Meeting Date:** October 24, 2022

**Meeting Type:** Regular

**Item Category:** Consent Item

**Primary Contact:** Dr. Usamah Rodgers

**Presenter(s)/Contact(s):** Nicholas Johnson

**Item Name:** EGT Institute

**Item Summary:** The district is requesting board approval for EGT Institute, Inc. to serve as the evaluator for the U.S. Department of Education Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs GEAR UP grant called *College Driven*. EGT Institute, Inc. has over 25 years of experience in evaluating numerous US Department of Education programs.

EGT Institute, Inc. evaluation will conduct systematic research methods to measure implementation, fidelity, outcomes and outputs of the proposed program. It will include formative and summative evaluation. Each year, formative evaluation will focus on addressing whether or not activities are being implemented as planned. Ongoing findings will be compared to performance measures and the project timeline and adjustments will be made, as needed. Any required baseline data will be collected immediately upon award. The summative evaluation plan will utilize a rigorous quasi-experimental design (QED) to investigate the significance and strength of the relationship between proposed and actual activities related to instructional practices, student academic performance, cognitive and non-cognitive skills, promotional rates (next grade level), AP, early college/dual enrollment results, graduation rates, postsecondary credentials received, college enrollment and persistence rates, enrollment of college level courses (without the needed of remedial courses) and outcomes including parent, student and educator knowledge.

**Recommendation:** Consider Approval for EGT Institute, Inc. contractual services for \$100,000.00 per year from September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2029, as the grant evaluator for the Department of Education GEAR UP Grant - College Driven.

**Policy Reference:** EHBA Legal

**Related Board Goal:** Goal 1: Future Readiness

**Strategic Plan Alignment:** Commitment 1: Treat every student as a whole child while building long-term health, safety, and empowerment.

**Currently Budgeted?** ☒ Yes ☐ No Budgetary Impact

**Fiscal Implications/Funding Source:** College Driven – GEAR UP Grant DOE

**Does this item require a competitive bid?** N/A **Method:** N/A

**Has the contract/agreement been reviewed by legal?** N/A **Date:** N/A



**Completion or Implementation Timeline:** September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2029

**Action Required:** Record vote.

**Attachments:** GEAR UP Grant “College Driven” EGT Contract

