

Sustainability Letter for the TEA 21st CCLC Grant

February 23rd, 2016

SUMMARY:

The application asks for written letters of support for local sustainability signed by a majority of the elected members of the local school board from which students will be served.

- This item requests approval of Denton ISD Board of Directors

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Application for discretionary funding

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

21st CCLC is a federally-funded competitive grant program designed to support the establishment of community learning centers serving students in high need (Title I and Title I Eligible) campuses. Funding is provided by the Federal government through the No Child Left Behind Act, Every Student Succeeds Act.

These grants are awarded to projects that offer a broad array of services, programs and activities during non-school hours or periods when school is not in session (such as afterschool or during summer recess). The three goals for this grant program are to: improve student learning performance in one or more core academic areas, increase social benefits and positive behavioral changes, and increase family/community engagement to support student education. We are requesting \$5.4 million for over a three year period and will be partnering with Communities in Schools of North Texas.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- None

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

This program supports the creation of community learning centers at eight DISD campuses that provide academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours for children, particularly students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools. The program helps students meet state and local student standards in core academic subjects, such as reading and math; offers students a broad array of enrichment activities that can complement their regular academic programs; and offers literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed ...

OTHER COMMENTS:

- None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends approval of TEA 21st CCLC Grant Application

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- David Gerabagi, Director of Grants, Adult Education and Literacy and Community Development

ATTACHMENT:

- None

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: David Gerabagi

Comments: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____