

Memorandum of Understanding
Tree House Academy & Denton ISD – PK Partnership Addendum

October 10, 2017

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of a Memorandum of Understanding Addendum between Denton ISD and Tree House Academy to provide technology, furniture and 3% of the ADA funding for Denton ISD students enrolled in the program who qualify based on PK criteria.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- Board of Trustees approved on July 25, 2017 a Memorandum of Understanding between Denton ISD and Tree House Academy to establish a partnership facilitating a collaborative approach to provide children and their families a comprehensive and cohesive early childhood program with wraparound care.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The Texas Education Agency requires the grantee (Denton ISD) pass on a percentage of ADA funding to the TRS 4-Star provider (Tree House Academy) for the first year of the grant.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- A decision to not approve this MOU Addendum will require DISD to return PK Partnership Grant monies to the Texas Education Agency and could possibly result in fewer four-year-old children receiving appropriate full-day services.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- DISD will receive state funding based upon the attendance of Tree House Academy students who qualify for PK in a DISD Pre-K classroom located at Tree House Academy. 3% of the ADA funding is at a minimum \$1,400 or a maximum \$3,000 due in December of 2017.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Approval will allow Tree House Academy and DISD to move forward with arrangements for continuing this partnership.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- MOU addendum must be provided to TEA as part of the quarterly reporting to be in compliance of the PK Partnership Grant..

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed at this time.

OTHER COMMENTS:

- None

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION:

- It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the MOU Addendum with Tree House Academy.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Dr. Daniel Lopez, Area Superintendent, Academic Programs

ATTACHMENT:

- Memorandum of Understanding

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____