



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Approval of Local Credit for Students in the Special Education Program with a Visual Impairment Who Are Enrolled in a Braille Class at the High School Level

SUBMITTED BY: Cynthia M. Ramirez, Executive Director of Special Education

OF: Curriculum and Instruction Department

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: May 16, 2018

Recommendation:

Approval of local credit for students in the special education program with a visual impairment who are enrolled in a Braille Class at the high school level.

Rationale:

In accordance with UISD Board Policy EHAA (LEGAL), a district may offer courses for local credit, at its discretion, in addition to those in the required curriculum, but it may not delete or omit instruction in the foundation and enrichment curricula specified.

Texas Education Code 28.002(f); 19 TAC 74.1(b)

Budgetary Information:

Teacher editions, workbooks, and other instructional resources needed for the class will need to be purchased.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EHAA Legal, DK Legal, DK Local, DK Exhibit



9th Grade Braille Curriculum

By: Special Education Department

Credits and Curriculum

- TEA-TEKS approved course- Peims Code: N1100505
- Students will be receiving these services by 4 district wide V.I. Teachers.
- Students will get 2 local Elective Credits, one for the 9th Grade Fall Semester and then one for the Spring Semester
- Student Schedules will include course-Campus Counselors will be trained.

Braille Curriculum/Grading System

- Company Name: Exceptional Teaching - Already USD Vendor.
- Teacher Editions and Student Workbooks- will be purchased.
- Tyler Grading System-V.I. Teacher will follow same U.I.S.D. Grading Guidelines.
- Lesson Plans will be submitted to campus administrator.
- T-TESS Evaluation will be conducted by Sped Director with input from Campus Administrator.

Campus Availability

- Campus Administration has approved campus space availability for Special Ed V.I. Students and Teacher.
- Due to clinical assessment V.I. Scores, classes will start at a 2:1 ratio.
- Certification: U.I.S.D. Visually Impaired Certified Teachers, equips them to instruct this course.
- Questions
- Thank you