

# Cedar Hill Independent School District BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**Meeting Date:** May 27, 2020

**Presented by:** Dr. Gerald B Hudson, Superintendent of Schools

**Subject:** Achieve 3000 Software

## Consent Agenda Item

### **BOARD GOAL:**

Increase the number of third grade scholars at or above grade level in reading.  
Increase the number of scholars at or above grade level in Algebra I.  
Increase the number of scholars that are college, career, and/or military ready.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Achieve3000 supports students' literacy needs from foundational skills through comprehension. They provide a wealth of non-fiction science and social studies content which helps students develop key literacy skills while building content area knowledge and vocabulary simultaneously. With deeply differentiated instruction; an adaptive content system that integrates ongoing assessment, engaging nonfiction content, and robust scaffolds; and linguistic supports for struggling readers.

Achieve3000 accelerates learning gains and empowering all students to build critical college and career literacy skills. The CHISD/Achieve partnership began 7 years ago. Although Achieve3000 has been used at a variety of grade levels, CHISD currently uses Achieve3000 to improve and strengthen reading skill for all English I and English II students.

In addition to Achieve3000, the younger scholars (PreK-2) will have access to Smarty Ants. Smarty Ants engages young learners in grades PreK-2 with fun, multisensory, and adaptive foundational literacy instruction. Available in English and Spanish, Smarty Ants puts young learners on the path to becoming successful independent readers who have a love of learning.

This cost proposal is for the use of Achieve3000 and Smarty Ants for grades PreK-12. In previous years, the cost proposals that were presented to the Board of Trustees included the cost for fewer grade levels. This proposal not only includes cost for continuing to use Achieve 3000 for English I/II but for all scholars in grades PreK-12.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Achieve3000 Investment Proposal.

### **BOARD ACTION REQUIRED:**

Motion to approve the Achieve3000 Investment Proposal.

**POLICY AUTHORIZATION:**

CH (Legal)

CH (Local)

**CONTACT PERSON:**

Dr. Charlotte Ford, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and  
Accountability

Cherron Ukpaka, Professional Development Director

**FUNDING SOURCE:**

199 Funds

Title II – Professional Development

**ENCLOSURES:**

Achieve3000 Investment Proposal