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Superintendent of Schools

To: RIMSD 41 Board of Education
From: Dr. Sharon Williams
Jeff Dase, Deputy Superintendent
Cabinet Champion: Alicia Sanders, Director of Student Services
Date: July 22, 2025
Re: Dr. Matthew Beck K-12 School Counseling Support Contract for Service

As part of our district's strategic plan to support student well-being, academic success, and social-emotional development, we have identified a need for a comprehensive, aligned K-12 counseling program. This approach will strengthen mental health supports, career readiness, and academic counseling across all grade levels.

Across the 2025-2026 calendar year, Dr. Matthew Beck will work with district and school personnel to build a data-focused, efficient, and intentional district K-12 comprehensive school counseling program that aligns with district, state, and American School Counselor Association (ASCA) priorities. The ASCA National Model guides school counselors in the development of school counseling programs that:

- Use data to demonstrate the impact of the school counseling program
- Deliver services and interventions to all students systematically within the following domains: academic, postsecondary/career, social emotional and mental health
- Include a developmentally appropriate curriculum aligned on the mindsets and behaviors all students need for postsecondary readiness and success
- Align the ASCA National Model and MTSS
- Address barriers to developing ethical, equitable, and inclusive school environments and school counseling programs
- Close achievement and opportunity gaps
- Strengthen collaboration between school counselors, parents/guardians, and other school staff and stakeholders
- Result in improved student achievement, attendance, and discipline
- Articulate results to educational partners

Investment Period: 8/01/2025 - 5/22/2026
Total Investment: \$12,500
Funding Source: District and IDEA Funds

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