



SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: August 19, 2020

- Purpose: [] Presentation/Report [] Recognition [] Discussion/ Possible Action
[] Closed/Executive Session [] Work Session [] Discussion Only [X] Consent

From: Denise Orosco, Executive Director of Student Support Services

Item Title: Approve the MOU Between the Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council Inc. and SSAISD

Description: The objectives of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), Alamo Area Council's is to promote character development, good citizenship, and personal achievement. The Boy Scouts of America will support SSAISD school by offering supplemental activities for both male and female students in Kinder through 5th grade that reinforce and enrich the basic curriculum.

Historical Data: The Scoutreach Program has operated in South San since approximately 2002. At that time the BSA had in-school programs at Kindred and Benavidez. They also had after-school programs at a few other elementary schools. By 2017-2018 the program grew to include all ten elementary schools-- and was the first district that the BSA serviced 100%. Last year the program serviced seven campuses, but we will be speaking with the three campuses who were unable to participate last year. South San's Scoutreach program is the first district to implement girls into the program. Last year a total of 1470 students participated in the Scoutreach program. The Board approved this MOU with the Boy Scouts on July 24, 2019 last year.

Recommendation: Approve the MOU Between the Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council Inc. and SSAISD

District Goal/Strategy:

Strategy 4 We will build partnerships with businesses and the community to promote parental involvement, support opportunities for student success, and increase student attendance and enrollment.

Funding Budget Code and Amount: N/A

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SIGNATURE

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Chief Officer:

CFO Funding Approval:

Superintendent:

**COLLABORATION STATEMENT BETWEEN
THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, ALAMO AREA COUNCIL INC.
AND
THE SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

This statement sets forth the conditions under which the Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council, will conduct the Scoutreach In-School and After-School BSA Scouting programs along with the Project Aguila program for boys and girls in the South San Antonio Independent School District for the months of August 12, 2020 – May 28, 2021.

- I. For all Scout programs.
- II. The objectives of the program are:
 - To promote character development, good citizenship, and personal achievement.
 - To teach them to *do their best* and be *helpful to others* as expressed in the Scout Oath and Law.
 - To extend a Scout experience to youth who might otherwise not have the opportunity.
 - To support the work of the school by offering supplemental activities that reinforce and enrich the basic curriculum.
- III. Description of the programs:
 - These programs are intended to reach youth from the kindergarten through fifth grades.
 - It will consist of activities taken from the Lion, Tiger, Wolf, Bear and Webelos Cub Scout handbooks, and incorporated into what we call the Scoutreach and Project Aguila programs.
 - The Project Aguila program will be conducted at the discretion of the volunteers and meet weekly at the individual schools with permission of the principals.
 - The Scoutreach programs will program will also be conducted at the discretion of the volunteers and the Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council according to staffing requirements and meet bi-weekly at the individual schools with permission of the principals.
 - It will be provided in a safe setting and will provide interactive age appropriate learning experiences.
 - Modifications to the program will be made in accordance with federal, state, county, city and district guidelines to address issues associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. Some of these modifications have been stated in the annual program summary delivered before the start of the new school year.
- IV. Personnel requirements:
 - Fully trained adult volunteers or staff leadership from the Alamo Area Council will facilitate the programs and are at least 21 years of age.
 - Criminal background security checks will be completed on all Alamo Area Council volunteer leaders and staff as a requirement. If requested will also submit to background checks by the school district.
 - Leaders will have completed all of the necessary training to deliver a quality Scouting program to the youth. This training includes but is not limited to: Cub Scout Den Leader Training, Health and Safety, and Youth Protection Training.
- V. Letters of information and Parent/Guardian consent:
 - To be enrolled, the BSA Youth Registration forms must be signed and returned by the parent/guardian.
 - The BSA recognizes the privacy of each and every child attending South San Antonio ISD schools. Henceforth, the only information to be requested from the schools, concerning the individual youth participating in the Cub Scout programs will be the name, birth date, address, grade and student ID. This information will only be requested so that the participant may become a registered member (youth) of the Boy Scouts of America. . Any information received concerning these participants will be kept strictly confidential and used for general metrics of the program for reporting.
- VI. Cost of Cub Scout Program:
 - The Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council, will pay most expenses associated with the program like BSA membership fees and materials needed to implement the program. Those schools participating in the program will provide the necessary facilities required for the meetings. Any students participating in off-campus activities will be responsible for transportation and activity fees.
- VII. All BSA Scoutreach In-School, After-School and Project Aguila packs will be Boys Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council.



Michael De Los Santos, Scout Executive

7-28-20

Date

South San Antonio ISD Representative

Date