
Board of Education

ACTION

TITLE: Consider Special Education 2020-2021 Tuition Agreement with Residential Facilities within District

DATE: May 18, 2020

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Martin Mahan
Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction
Kathy Haaser
Director of Special Education

VISION 2023 STRATEGY: INSTRUCTION

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

The 2020-2021 Tuition Agreement for each Residential Facility housed in the Fort Smith Public School District is attached for review and approval.

The District must submit these forms on an annual basis to verify that our district agrees to provide related services to students identified as needing speech, occupational therapy, and/or physical therapy in accordance with federal and state guidelines.

The District complies with these federal and state rules. Therefore, as requested by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, these forms need Board authorization including signatures from the Board President and Superintendent.

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RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends the Board approve the Tuition Agreement with Residential Facilities within the District for 2020-2021.

If the Board agrees, the motion would read:

Move to authorize the attached Tuition Agreement with Residential Facilities within the District be authorized.

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