

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 17, 2023

TO: Finance Committee

FROM: Katherine Schultz

Scott Gerdes

RE: Spanish-English Dual Enrollment Program

The district has decided to move forward with beginning a Spanish-English dual-immersion program. The most significant cost of starting this program is purchasing a Spanish curriculum for the kindergarten classroom that will begin August of 2023. I would like to purchase this curriculum as soon as possible, though, so the teacher who will be teaching the class can begin digging into the curriculum throughout the summer. I'm uncertain how long it will take for the curriculum to ship so getting the process started soon is essential.

Dual-immersion programming elevates the languages spoken in our community. It brings cultural groups together and develops empathy and understanding between our language and culture groups. Our district strategies include student-centered learning and equity. This programming allows us to bring high-quality student-centered learning while also developing and broadening our educational opportunities for all. The estimated cost for this curriculum is \$10,000.