



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM  
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

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**DATE OF MEETING:**        **January 14, 2020**

**TITLE:**        **Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with the University of Arizona for Project Focus**

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**BACKGROUND:**

Project FOCUS (Focusing Opportunities with Community and University Supports) is a two-year innovative transition program for young adults, age 18 to 22 years old with intellectual disabilities. It supports access and inclusion to University of Arizona’s academic courses, campus internship experiences and college life events in order to increase each student’s independence, quality of life, and employability.

Administration recommends that Amphitheater enter into the attached Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with the University of Arizona to enable qualified Amphitheater students to participate in Project Focus. The proposed IGA will enable qualified Amphitheater students to receive up to 720 hours of instruction through the University of Arizona, to be conducted at the college campus, as well as provide them with instructional support staff provided by the University to assist the students to learn to safely navigate the campus, participate in campus activities, and access the UA student resources.

Under the IGA, Amphitheater is still responsible to administer the IEP and, as appropriate, the MET for each Amphitheater student who participates in the program. However, the remainder of the services for the student will be provided by the University of Arizona. In return, the IGA requires Amphitheater to provide the University of Arizona the full Average Daily Maintenance (ADM) and “Group B” Student Add On received for each student who participates in the Project Focus program as payment for the services provided.

The proposed IGA has been submitted to the attorneys for each party for approval as to the form and content. It is in the proper form and is within the powers and authority granted to Amphitheater to execute as an the IGA.


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**RECOMMENDATION:**

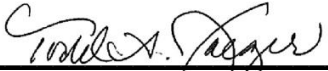
The Administration recommends that the Board approve the attached IGA with the University of Arizona for Project Focus.

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**INITIATED BY:**

  
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**Date: January 8, 2020**

  
**Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent**