## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## FOR THE SHOREWOOD SCHOOL BOARD

**Topic:** Approve hiring for Angela Hamouda

**Date:** August 22, 2017

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<b>Recommended action:</b>	Information only
	Presentation/discussion
	Discussion/action by committee
	_X Discussion/action by board of education
	Presentation/action next meeting

<u>**Purpose:**</u> Approve the hiring for the 0.5 ELL (English Language Learner) teacher Angela Hamouda at Shorewood Intermediate School

<u>Background</u>: Previously our ELL teacher split time between both SHS and SIS, which has proven to be very difficult due to our increasing enrollment along with recent requirement changes coming from the state & federal levels. To meet the rigorous language demands of college and career-ready state standards, WIDA is raising the bar for language proficiency. English language learners (ELLs) will need to demonstrate higher language skills to achieve the same proficiency level scores (1.0–6.0).

Angela's references spoke to her dedication to assisting other staff members with best practices to ensure that all of the ELL students achieved to their greatest potential. Her previous principal referenced a collaboration binder that was so well organized and efficient for keeping all staff working together toward the same common goals for their ELL students, they still are currently utilizing this binder in their practice at the school.

We are very excited for Angela to be a part of the team at SIS, specifically to bring her experience and expertise as we navigate through the new block schedule. We feel confident that she can make an immediate impact on how we deliver instruction to our ELL students at SIS.

**Recommendation:** Approve the hiring of Angela Hamouda as a 0.5 FTE ELL teacher at Shorewood Intermediate School for the 2017-2018 school year.