BOARD MEETING DATE:	6/16/2025
AGENDA ITEM:	25-26 Additional Teachers and Staff
AGENDA LOCATION:	Action -
PRESENTER TITLE & NAME:	Chris Daniel
DEPARTMENT:	Staff and Student Services

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

To support lower class size ratios in our elementary schools, we propose adding five additional teaching positions in preparation for the 2025–2026 school year. In addition, one more diagnostician is needed to reduce the current student-to-diagnostician ratio, and another full-time police officer with a K-9 unit. At this time, two of the teaching positions will be immediately assigned to JRE and Hilltop, while the remaining positions will be reserved to address potential enrollment increases at other campuses.

BUDGETARY IMPACT & FUNDING SOURCE

\$340,000 from M&O (5 teachers)

\$86,775 annually from M&O (police officer/K9); \$120,000 from M&O (start up costs)

\$68,000 from Federal Funds (1 diagnostician)

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the approval of five additional teaching positions to assist in reducing class sizes across the district. We also recommend the addition of one diagnostician to improve the staff-to-student ratio and enhance support for Special Education services. Additionally, we are recommending the addition of one police officer with a K-9 unit to strengthen campus safety and support drug prevention efforts at the high school level.

MOTION

A motion might be, "I approve adding the additional positions as presented."