

TITLE: Consideration and Approval of Johnson County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JCJJAEP) Memorandum of Understanding 2025-2026 **DATE:** July 22, 2025

ACTION

BACKGROUND:

Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code requires that the juvenile boards of counties with populations greater than 125,000 develop a juvenile justice alternative education program (Section 37.011). The juvenile justice alternative education programs developed and established are to serve those students who are expelled from public school under Section 37.007 (a), (d), and (e) of the Texas Education Code, and may serve students expelled from the public schools under Section 37.007 (b), (c), or (f) (discretionary expulsions). Johnson County has developed a JCJJAEP to serve students who reside in the county.

CONSIDERATIONS:

- The Memorandum of Understanding attached as Exhibit 1 presents the design of the JCJJAEP as developed by the Johnson County Juvenile Board.
- The Memorandum of Understanding outlines the responsibilities of districts that have students eligible to attend the program.
- If the District chooses to send students to the JCJJAEP for discretionary expulsion reasons, a fee of \$115 per day will be charged to the District by the JCJJAEP provider. The JCJJAEP will not serve students under 10 years of age who are removed from school for either mandatory or discretionary reasons.
- If a student is placed on inactive status more than three times during their expulsion the student will be discharged from the JCJJAEP program and referred back to their home campus.
- As part of the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with Johnson County, the Board must also designate a person to be its representative in matters related to the JCJJAEP.
- The Executive Director of Student Services is the designated representative to the Johnson County JCJJAEP.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with Johnson County, as presented, and that the Associate Superintendent for Student Services be designated to represent the Board in matters related to the Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

"I move that we approve the JCJJAEP Memorandum of Understanding with Johnson County as presented and designate the Associate Superintendent for Student Services as our representative."