



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

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**DATE OF MEETING:**      **August 27, 2013**

**TITLE:**    **Approval of Incentives for Math Specialist Endorsement**

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**BACKGROUND:**

The Department of Teaching, Learning and Sociocultural Studies in the College of Education at the University of Arizona has created two pathways for our math teachers in grades 4<sup>th</sup> and higher to pursue a Math Specialist endorsement:

- The first involves two courses (TTE 511 Research-Based Practices, Pedagogy, and Instructional Leadership in Mathematics and TTE 512 Mathematics Classroom Assessment) in addition to receiving a passing score on the Arizona Educator middle school mathematics exam;
- The second option involves these same two courses and an additional 18 credits in mathematics content.

We would like to incentivize the process of completing the requirements for a Math Specialist endorsement for our teachers.

- We recommend hosting the class sessions at an Amphi site.
- Once our teachers have completed the requirements and have received their Math Specialist endorsement, we propose that our teachers receive a stipend of \$1,000 per year for four years (totaling \$4,000).

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

This item is presented for the Governing Board's information and approval.

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**INITIATED BY:**

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Monica Nelson, Associate Superintendent

Date: August 13, 2013

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Patrick Nelson, Superintendent