

Denton Independent School District
Large District Partnership with the Reading and Writing Project Network LLC
September 8, 2020

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of the contract from Teachers College Reading and Writing Project in the amount of \$200,400.00 for the Large District Partnership with the Reading and Writing Project.

BOARD GOAL:

Teaching & Learning - Incorporate best practices into teaching, learning, and literacy

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This request is submitted as a professional development component of the Elementary ELAR Approval for Lucy Calkins Units of Study implementation of Phonics, Reading, and Writing Workshop K-5.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

The partnership with Reading and Writing project will support K-5 implementation of the Units of Study in Reading, Writing, and Phonics. Seven elementary campuses will receive up to ten days of professional development from staff developers from the Teachers College Reading Writing Project (TCRWP). In addition, all elementary campuses will benefit from the Calendar Days PD scheduled before each unit is to be implemented. All elementary teachers will have access to The Treasure Chest resources on the TCRWP website. This purchase is being brought for approval in accordance with the District's CH (local) policy.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost will be borne through appropriate department, and grant budgets.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The approval of this purchase will allow the District to continue and expand the professional development support from the project during the 2020-2021 school year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the contract from Teachers College Reading and Writing Project in the amount of \$200,400.00 for Large District Partnership with the Reading and Writing Project be approved.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Scott Niven, Chief Financial Officer
Mike Mattingly, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction
Vicki Garcia, Executive Director Financial Operations
Sandy Brown, Director of Elementary Curriculum & Instruction
Dianna Casper, Director of Purchasing

ATTACHMENTS:

Large District Partnership with the Reading and Writing Project Contract

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____