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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 7, 2021

TO: Board of Education Members

FROM: Dr. Merri Beth Kudrna

RE: Approval of Consolidated District Plan

Background Information: The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA-2015) provides funds to schools for the purpose of improving academic achievement. It functions to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and effective opportunity to obtain a high-quality education to reach, at a minimum, proficiency on challenging State academic standards and assessments. The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) significantly changed the requirements to receive funds as compared to the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB-2002).

Administrative Considerations: Before District 7 can apply for Title I, II, III, IV, and IDEA funding the Consolidated District Plan must be approved. The consolidated plan includes goals for the year and how the district will use the funds to integrate programming. The approximate amount of the grants is \$600,000 and we will use the funds for student materials, professional development, and assessments. The grant to access funds will become available once the BOE approves this plan and is accepted by the ISBE.

Recommendation: I am recommending that the Board of Education approve the Consolidated District Plan to access the Federal funds mentioned above.