

***Approval for Borman Elementary to Pursue
International Baccalaureate Authorization***

February 12, 2013

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of Borman Elementary School to pursue International Baccalaureate authorization.

BOARD GOAL:

Vision

- Prepare our students to be successful in a global society while instilling an appreciation for community service

Teaching and Learning

- Establish high expectations with a curriculum that fosters inquiry and critical thinking
- Develop academic skills and interpersonal relationships necessary for student success in college, the workplace and for life

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

NA

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At the January 22, 2013 school board meeting Mr. Robert Gonzalez, principal of Borman, shared the following background information: the reasons why Borman Elementary desires to pursue IB status; the process of ensuring understanding and acceptance of IB with various Borman stakeholder groups; and, the budget dollars required to become an IB school.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

With offering IB at Borman, the enrollment waiting lists at Newton Rayzor Elementary should be alleviated or mitigated, altogether.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

2012-13	\$ 4000 total
2013-14	\$70900 total

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

Students will receive the benefits of the IB approach to learning. The teachers will receive an abundant amount of professional learning as a support to delivery of instruction.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

Borman teachers will require IB staff development over the course of the next two years and possibly further on-going professional development as needed.

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

ALTERNATIVES:

OTHER COMMENTS:

Board Workshop conducted January 22, 2013 to provide information to the board.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends board approval for Borman Elementary to pursue authorization by the International Baccalaureate Organization beginning with summer 2012.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Dr. Mike Mattingly, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

ATTACHMENT:

NA

APPROVAL:

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____