

SUBJECT: Consideration and possible approval of the 2024-2025 interlocal agreement between the Pasadena Independent School District and Harris County Resources for Children and Adults to provide a youth service specialist for the Summit at a cost of \$43,353.00.

BACKGROUND: Community Youth Services (CYS) is a program provided by Harris County Resources for Children and Adults. CYS will provide a youth service specialist to work with students assigned to the Summit. The role of the specialist is to facilitate the successful transition of Summit students returning to their home campuses. A caseload of students in grades 5-12 who do not have a history of success at their home campus will be created. The specialist will establish a positive relationship with students while at the Summit and follow them back to their home campuses to coordinate transitional services. Grades and attendance will be monitored, and students will be referred to established social services on campus and in the community. The specialist will also conduct home visits and assist in reducing truancy of students returning to their home campus. Additionally, the specialist will act as a liaison between the school district, community, and courts. These students will also be able to access the large array of social services offered by CYS, including job development programs and counseling for individuals and families. An interlocal agreement has been created to establish the contractual obligations of the Summit and Harris County. The Summit will pay half of the annual salary of the youth service specialist and provide confidential office space and appropriate demographic information on each student referred for intervention.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The total cost of services, \$43,353.00 is included in the 2024-2025 budget for the Summit.

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend approval of the 2024-2025 Interlocal Agreement between the Pasadena Independent School District and Harris County Resources for Children and Adults to provide a youth service specialist for the Summit at a cost of \$43,353.00.

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BOARD MEETING DATE: July 23, 2024