

# **Memorandum of Agreement to Establish and Operate an Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Unit at John Guyer High School, Denton High School, and Billy Ryan High School**

May 14, 2019

## **SUMMARY:**

- This item requests approval of the MOA to continue operating an Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Unit at Guyer, Denton, and Ryan High Schools.

## **PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:**

- The Board of Trustees in the past approved AFROTC MOA's for a Corps Unit at each high school prior to the beginning of the school year.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

- The district received an updated memorandum for all AFJROTC host schools worldwide.
- The memorandum was sent to clear up any confusion and inconsistencies in program application.
- The new MOA's contain standard language which are intended to institute a clear understanding of responsibilities set forth by the AFROTC Headquarters.
- The new MOA's have some funding issues related to new technology for each high school.
- **Each host-school must have a separate, signed agreement.**
- Each School's Senior Aerospace Science Instructor will help guide their specific MOA through their local school district's process.

## **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:**

- Much of the current MOA language will endure but the primary changes are as follows:
  - Revamps of the overall format to improve readability
  - Removes language requiring the Air Force to furnish Information Technology equipment
  - Clarifies that instructor candidate background checks are a function of the school
  - Clarifies voluntary student enrollment, plus requirements for continued student enrollment
  - Clarifies the Minimum Instructor Pay and Air Force cost share (reimbursement) process
  - Requires establishment of organizational email accounts for monthly reimbursement statements
  - Adds language explaining the dual chain of responsibility for AFJROTC instructors
  - Clarifies the responsibilities of school as they relate to managing AFJROTC instructors
  - Adds language for school to collect, maintain, report student academic and graduation metrics
  - Adds language on continued MOA validity regardless of changes in original signatories

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

- The cost related to these updated MOA's center around upgrading technology at our three listed high schools.
- For fiscal year(s) 2019-20, cost(s) will be \$9,290. This cost could be spread out over two years.
- Costs will be borne by Denton ISD.

## **BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

- Require host high schools to upgrade their technology for ROTC students and not depend on funding from the Air Force ROTC Headquarters.
- Will provide better language explaining responsibility of ROTC instructors, clarifies the responsibilities of schools to manage AFROTC instructors, and improve on reporting student academic and graduation metrics.

## **PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

- Reporting implications will remain relatively the same. The expectation will be heightened through this agreement.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:**

- None

## **ALTERNATIVES:**

- Approval of these MOA's will provide future direction for our high school AFROTC Corps Units and replace the MOA's approved in the past.

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

- N/A

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:**

**The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Memorandums of Agreement to establish and operate an Air Force Junior Reserve Office Training Corps Unit for Ryan, Denton, and Guyer High Schools.**

**STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

- Dr. Jamie Wilson, Superintendent of Schools
- Dr. Richard L. Valenta, Deputy Superintendent of Schools

**ATTACHMENT:**

- Memorandum of Agreement for Billy Ryan High
- Memorandum of Agreement for Denton High School
- Memorandum of Agreement for John H. Guyer High School

**APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

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