



## SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: March 16, 2026

Agenda Section: Consent

Agenda Item Title: Memorandum of Understanding with Global Educational Concepts.

From/Presenters: Rita Uresti, Executive Director of Human Resources

Description: Global Educational Concepts (GEC) is an authorized sponsor of the U.S. Department of State's J-1 Cultural Exchange Program and is approved by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) as an Exchange Visitor Program sponsor. TEA-approved programs may qualify participants to receive the Visiting International Teacher certificate. This partnership will assist the District in addressing hard-to-fill teaching positions by providing access to qualified international educators.

Historical Data: Teachers participating in the J-1 program are eligible to work in U.S. schools for up to three years, with the possibility of a one- or two-year extension. Upon completion of the program, participants are required to return to their home country to share the professional and cultural experiences gained during their exchange.

Recommendation: Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Global Educational Concepts.

Purchasing Director and Approval Date: Not applicable

Funding Budget Code and Amount: Not Applicable

Goal: 2. SSAISD will recruit, develop, support, and retain effective teachers, principals, and other instructional staff.