



Lamar CISD

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Item Category: Consent Item

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Item Name: CONSIDER RATIFICATION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH KICKSTART KIDS

Item Summary: The total program cost to implement KICKSTART KIDS at Ryon Middle School and Wessendorff Middle School in the 2023–2024 school year will be \$110,000 per program. The program costs will be shared, and Lamar CISD’s contribution will be limited to \$75,000 per campus. Additional campuses may offer the course (at the same contribution rate per campus per year) upon approval by KICKSTART KIDS. Program costs will be evaluated annually, and if necessary, an inflation rate will be applied to increase Lamar CISD’s contribution for the subsequent academic year. The District will have the option to extend the program for one year (for the 2025–2026 school year) at the conclusion of the current contract.

Per the terms of the MOU, Lamar CISD will supply a dedicated classroom for the program, and KICKSTART KIDS will supply all equipment as well as licensed instructors for program delivery. KICKSTART KIDS will also provide after-school and summer enrichment activities for students enrolled in the program. Enrolled students will pay a participation fee in return for their uniform and tournament entry fees. There are scholarships available for students who demonstrate financial need.

Recommendation: Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with KICKSTART KIDS to provide martial arts and character development programming as a course offered at Ryon Middle School and Wessendorff Middle School for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years.

Policy Reference: CH (Legal and Local)

Leadership Definition Alignment: Drive for Results

Strategic Plan Alignment: N/A

Currently Budgeted? Yes No No Budgetary Impact

Completion or Implementation Timeline: 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 Academic Years