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TO: Superintendent Jeff Stephens, Board President Jon Ritchie, WSD Board Members

FROM: Sheri Heiter

DATE: August 25, 2020

SUBJECT: Purchase of the Panorama Student Success Platform for all Elementary Schools

Last spring, Panorama software was purchased to provide a social-emotional survey to all students in grades three through 12. The purchase also included the Student Success Platform (SSP) for all secondary students. The SSP includes a complete data dashboard for individual students, groups, schools and the entire district. This dashboard monitors academic performance data, attendance information and behavior indicators in addition to the social-emotional survey results. It also supports and tracks interventions and provides for essential connections between students and adults in the schools.

At the time of the original purchase, funding did not allow for the purchase of the Student Success Platform for elementary schools. We have since determined that a portion of the Gifted and Talented budget should be used to support this critical need in our K-6 environments. We believe this platform will provide an efficient method to identify and support students who have areas of unfinished learning due to the soft-closure of our schools last spring. It will also allow us to offer extensions and enrichment for students who may fall into the gifted and talented classification.

We would like to allocate \$48,000 for each of the next two years to support elementary schools in gaining access to this tool. This will allow principals ample time to prepare for self-funding in year three. At this time, we are seeking the approval of the Weber School District Board to move forward with this purchase.