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Date: March 17, 2025
To: Dr. Jennifer Norrell, Superintendent of Schools
East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education
From: Luis Gonzalez, Executive Director of Elementary School Leadership
Subject: City of Aurora Portable Soccer Field Agreement

The Proposal:

The School Leadership Department recommends the following community partnership for approval by the East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education: a City of Aurora Portable Soccer Field. This partnership promises numerous benefits to our students and the district as a whole

The following dates are proposed for two schools for the spring & fall 2025 semesters:

May 16- June 2, 2025 (Rollins Elementary)

September 1-15, 2025 (Dieterich Elementary)

Justification

1. **Physical Fitness & Health:** Soccer is an excellent cardiovascular workout that promotes endurance, coordination, and strength. It also helps to combat sedentary behaviors and supports the fight against childhood obesity.
2. **Mental Well-Being:** Participating in sports like soccer has been shown to boost mental health by reducing stress, increasing self-esteem, and fostering a sense of accomplishment.
3. **Skill Development:** Soccer helps students develop a wide range of skills, including agility, strategy, problem-solving, and leadership. These transferable skills will benefit them in both academic and life settings.
4. **Inclusivity & Teamwork:** Soccer is an inclusive sport that can accommodate students of all skill levels and promotes teamwork, communication, and collaboration.

Board Policy and Past Practices:

The portable soccer field is a new opportunity for East Aurora students.

Strategic Plan:

This recommendation supports Strategic Goal #1 Educational Equity, which states that *East Aurora School District 131 will meet the diverse needs of all students by ensuring a safe and inclusive learning environment.*

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Community Impact: The portable soccer field can be used for recreational and organized play, fostering a sense of community and promoting physical activity. This will have a positive, lasting impact on EA students' physical and emotional well-being.

Supporting Data:

[Please see the attached proposal](#)

Financial Impact:

This proposal does not have associated fees. The City of Aurora will fund the portable soccer field, ensuring that this initiative comes at no additional cost to the district.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the portable soccer field for two school sites for the aforementioned dates

Timeline for Decision

April 15, 2025

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