

To: Board of Education

From: Kevin Harrell, executive director, student services, ext. 2221

Re: Agreement with Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County

Date: July 21, 2016

Background:

The Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County (Success by 6) and Unified School District No. 497, Douglas County, Kansas, Lawrence Public Schools (LPS), are entering into an agreement to enable Success by 6 to provide early childhood special education consulting services for families of preschool age children (ages 3-5) with special needs. The Success by 6 staff who perform these services meet the eligibility requirements to receive Categorical Aid from the state; however, these funds must be passed through the district to Success by 6. This contract is the agreement that Success by 6 will provide the qualifying services with qualified staff and that the district will then serve as the conduit to provide the Categorical Aid from the State of Kansas.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends board approval for the pass-through of Categorical Aid funding to Success by 6, less a 3% administrative fee, to provide for qualified staff to deliver early childhood special education consulting services for families of preschool age children with special needs. Funding will come from Special Education (051000400053200).

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve the agreement between Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County and Unified School District No. 497, Douglas County, Kansas, Lawrence Public Schools, to supply Categorical Aid funding, less a 3 % administrative fee, from the Kansas Department of Education to deliver early childhood special education consulting services for families of preschool age children with special needs."