

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 5/7/2019

File #: 19-546	
То:	Board of Supervisors
From:	DHHS: Mental Health

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Memorandum of Understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education Regarding the Continued Development of a Multi-Tiered System of Support Coalition within Humboldt County

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached Memorandum of Understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education regarding the continued development of a Multi-Tiered System of Support Coalition that will implement the Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports curriculum throughout the Humboldt County school system in an amount not to exceed \$94,100; and
- 2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return two fully executed original copies of the attached Memorandum of Understanding to the Department of Health and Human Services Contract Unit for further processing.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: Mental Health Fund

DISCUSSION:

The Humboldt County Office of Education (HCOE) is working to improve school climates in order to meet the social, emotional and educational needs of students and families in the Humboldt County school system.

The Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) curriculum is a framework used to assist school personnel in adopting and organizing evidence-based behavioral interventions into an integrated continuum that enhances academic and social behavior outcomes for all students.

The Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) is an organizational method used to implement the PBIS curriculum which is designed to provide a continuum of care for all students and the implementation of prevention as an intervention through family involvement and culturally competent interventions, sensitive to all student groups and families. The services provided through the continued development of the MTSS Coalition will reinforce HCOE's mission of establishing and maintaining programs that

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contribute to the educational enrichment, health, safety and wellbeing of children living within Humboldt County.

On June 12, 2018 (Item C-12), the Board of Supervisors approved the current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with HCOE regarding the development of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the attached MOU the County of Humboldt will allocate additional funding to HCOE from the Department of Health and Human Services - Children and Family Services (DHHS - Children and Family Services) for the purpose of funding the continued development of the MTSS Coalition in Humboldt County. DHHS - Children and Family Services has determined that the continued development of the MTSS Coalition is in the public's interest.

Accordingly, DHHS - Children and Family Services recommends that the Board approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached MOU with HCOE regarding the continued development of the MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The attached MOU with HCOE has a maximum amount payable of \$94,100 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. However, if local state or federal funding is reduced or eliminated, the County of Humboldt may reduce the above-referenced maximum amount payable or terminate the attached MOU with HCOE in its entirety.

Expenditure appropriations related to attached MOU with HCOE will be included in the proposed fiscal year 2019-2020 budget for DHHS - Mental Health Services Act budget unit 1170-477. Funding for the attached MOU with HCOE is available through Mental Health Services Act revenues received by DHHS for prevention and early intervention programs. As a result, approval of the attached MOU with HCOE will not impact the Humboldt County General Fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

The recommended actions support the Board of Supervisors' Strategic Framework by creating opportunities for improved safety and health, protecting vulnerable populations and providing appropriate levels of services.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: None.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to approve the attached MOU with HCOE regarding the continued development of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County. However, this alternative is not recommended since it will not allow for the implementation of the PBIS curriculum throughout Humboldt County schools.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Memorandum of Understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education Regarding the Continued Development of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County.

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<u>PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:</u> Board Order No.: C-8; C-8; C-16; C-12 Meeting of: 02/2/16; 01/24/17; 12/05/17; 06/12/18 File No.: 19-546