

College Station Independent School District

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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Eddie Coulson, Superintendent

From: Greg McIntyre, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Date: April 11, 2013

Subject: Required Board Approval for Head Start Budget Reductions due to Sequester

Agenda Item: H-4

Board Priority/

District Goal: Priority 3/Goals 4

BACKGROUND

As you are aware, the federal government has implemented the process of sequestration as of March 1, 2013. This reduction in spending will influence the funding for the CSISD Birth-to-Five Head Start Program for the upcoming program year 2013 which begins on June 1. While there has not been a specific percentage furnished to Head Start programs, the Office of Head Start has stated all grants will be reduced by approximately 5%. We expect to hear a firm number within the week. For the CSISD Birth-to-Five Head Start Program, the 5% reduction amounts to \$99,000. This kind of reduction will impact many program components but our goal is to affect children and families as little as possible. While many other programs nationally are closing centers and cutting staff, our hope is that these extreme measures will not be required for our program. The discussion regarding ways to decrease costs and consolidate resources will be ongoing; however a tentative plan will be presented to the Board for information and discussion.

The Birth-to-Five Head Start Policy Council discussed these items and made their suggestions on March 26, 2013. These ideas are incorporated in the plan that will be presented.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the CSISD Board of Trustees approve the Budget Reduction Plan for the College Station Independent School District Birth to Five Head Start Program. A signature page is provided for the approval of this request.

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Approval Statement

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Valerie Jochen, Board President	Date