

College Station Independent School District



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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Clark Ealy, Superintendent

From: Mike Martindale, Deputy Superintendent

Date: April 12, 2017

Subject: Mentoring Minds Science Instructional Materials

Agenda Item: J – 5

Board Priority/
District Goal: Priority 3, Goals 1, 2 &3

BACKGROUND

New math and science instructional materials were adopted across the state in 2014. In 2014, College Station ISD adopted teacher materials only for grades K-4 and textbooks for students in grades 5-8. Since that time, our district has evaluated our data and recognized a need for additional resources for teaching science.

The additional resources recommended by Amanda Gibson, District Science Coordinator, include Mentoring Minds Motivation Science books for grades 3-8. The resources associated with Mentoring Minds include print and online resources for each teacher and classrooms in grades 3-8.

Mentoring Minds is the publisher and sole source provider of these materials. Funds to purchase these materials can be requested from TEA through an Instructional Materials Allotment (IMA) disbursement request.

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Mike Martindale
Deputy Superintendent for
Business and Operations

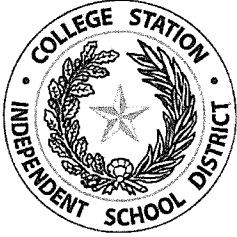
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It is the recommendation of Mark Pantel, Director of Purchasing, and Kelly Kovacs, Director of Instruction and Leadership Development, that we request these funds from TEA and purchase Motivation Science materials for grades 3-8 Science classrooms for \$242,248.00 from Mentoring Minds.

These instructional materials will be provided for five years. That amount of time will mean that these resources will be provided to our teachers and students for the remaining life of the science adoption from Proclamation 2014.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the College Station Independent School District Board of Trustees approve the purchase of Mentoring Minds Motivation Science books for grades 3-8 Science classrooms for \$242,248.00 from the Instructional Materials Allotment.

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