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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Clark Ealy, Superintendent

From: Molley Perry, Chief Administrative Officer *Molley Perry*

Date: July 12, 2018

Subject: Policy FNF (LOCAL) Regarding Student Drug Testing

Agenda Item: H-1

District Goal: Goal 3

Background

The health and safety of students is a fundamental priority for the College Station ISD. Following a request from key staff at each of College Station ISD's comprehensive high schools, the board began discussions in March 2018 regarding the possible implementation of a student drug testing policy. Over the past several months, district administrators have worked collaboratively with campus principals, athletic coordinators and other key leaders of extracurricular activities at the high school campuses to develop recommendations for policy including the overall program implementation and consequences related to positive results. Additionally, the Board of Trustees and district administration have engaged in discussions regarding student drug testing programs including the possible benefits, potential concerns and logistical considerations.

After much research, discussion and careful consideration, the draft School Board Policy FNF (LOCAL) is proposed with the purpose of supporting health and safety and deterring student use of illegal and performance-enhancing drugs or alcohol. The intent of this program is to offer students a credible means to resist peer pressure and provide a source of information to parents of any student who may be using illegal and performance-enhancing drugs or alcohol in grades 9-12.

In order to effectively execute the proposed Policy FNF (LOCAL), administrative guidelines will be developed to define staff responsibilities and ensure consistent implementation across campuses. Subsequently, the local orientation and consent process and plan for widespread communication to parents and students will be developed in accordance with both policy and



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guidelines. Due to the aforementioned activities required for successful implementation, the recommendation below includes a proposed effective date of October 1, 2018, which coincides with the beginning of the second six-weeks grading period of the 2018-19 school year.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of College Station Independent School District adopt school board policy FNF (LOCAL) with an effective date of October 1, 2018.