

College Station Independent School District

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MEMORANDUM

To:

Mike Martindale, Superintendent

From:

Amy Drozd, Chief Financial Officer

Date:

July 14, 2021

Subject:

Purchase of PowerSchool Performance Matters Assessment Core+ and

Professional Learning

Agenda Item:

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Background

District staff have been researching the best solutions for monitoring required professional development and management of student assessments. Currently these are managed with 2 separate software platforms within the district.

Through research, it was found that PowerSchool Performance Matters Assessment Analytics Core+ and Professional Learning could replace the 2 software platforms currently being used and provide additional benefits such as supplementing MAP testing areas to track mastery of subject areas, track data at the district level for informed curricular decisions, and provide a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS). This system also integrates with our student system, eSchool, and our HR system, eFiance and Talent Ed.

PowerSchool's Professional Learning will allow CSISD to centralize the ability to support, manage and track professional learning in a wide variety of formats. Evaluators can assign training based on an employee's performance or needs. Customized training can also be created and assigned through the software.

To provide a smooth transition plan, it is recommended that some overlap of the current platforms and that of PowerSchool Performance Matters Assessment Analytics Core+ and Professional Learning occur over the 2021-2022 school year. This overlap will ensure adequate training occurs and data is moved efficiently and accurately without interruption of learning.

Both PowerSchool Performance Matters Assessment Analytics Core+ and Professional Learning are key in addressing the learning loss that has occurred as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic.

It is the recommendation of Carmella Shafer, Director of Purchasing, and David Hutchison, Director of Technology that CSISD purchase these online resources from PowerSchool Group LLC through the TIPS Contract 210101 in the amount of \$131,089.50 using ESSER III funds.



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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of College Station Independent School District approve the purchase of the PowerSchool Performance Matters Assessment Analytics Core+ and Professional Learning from PowerSchool Group LLC through the TIPS Contract 210101 in the amount of \$131,089.50 using ESSER III funds.