

TO: Christian County Board of Education

FROM: Jessica Darnell, Director of Business

DATE: February 8, 2024

SUBJECT: Permission to Advertise for Bid

Christian County Public Schools has been awarded \$100,000 in grant funds to assist the district in transforming a school bus into a mobile classroom to offer learning opportunities after school and during the summer for preschool students. The community and families will gain awareness of the significance of early childhood education and caregivers will gain information on available resources and support programs. The bus will provide resources to help CCPS locate, identify and evaluate children who would be eligible for preschool.

The grant award period begins February 20, 2024 through September 30, 2024.

We are requesting to advertise for bids for the refurbishment of one of our fleet buses that has reached retirement age. It is a bus that we would normally surplus at the end of this year anyway, so now we are going to pull the seats out, put down flooring, anchor down some cabinets and tables, install a generator and HVAC units, and wrap the bus with new identification graphics pertaining to Early Childhood Education.