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**TO: RANDY POE, SUPERINTENDENT**

 **BONNIE RICKERT, CHAIRPERSON**

 **BOARD MEMBERS**

**FROM: KATHLEEN G. REUTMAN**

**DATE: JULY 10, 2018**

**RE: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE BOONE COUNTY SCHOOLS AND BRIGHTON CENTER, INC.**

 **The Brighton Center, Inc, is a non-profit organizations on a mission to create opportunities for individuals and families to reach self-sufficiency through family support, services, education, employment and leadership.**

 **Early in 2018, Brighton Center approached us to expand their Youth Leadership Development Program to Boone County Schools for the 2018-2019 school year. Ockerman and R. A. Jones enthusiastically agreed to pilot the program, provided funding was available.**

 **In May, the Boone County Fiscal Court through approve funds though he mental health tax board to support the program in Boone County.**

 **The Youth Leadership Development (YLD) program is**

* **After school program serving the Northern Kentucky community for nearly 20 years.**
* **Provides structured activities and opportunities for youth to acquire and improve their life skills, decision making, and leadership skills.**
* **Utilizes the Wyman’s Teen Outreach Program® (TOP®), designed to develop social and emotional well-being and mental health of pre-teens/teens. TOP® was named an evidence-based Mental Health Promotion program by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA). The TOP® approach provides youth with critical supports and opportunities to prepare for successful adulthood and avoid problem behaviors.**

 **We are excited to partner with the Brighton Center.**

**I have attached a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding, as well as, the Youth Leadership Development Overview and data for your review.**

 ***I recommend the board approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Brighton Center, INC. as presented***