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Issue Paper

DATE:
11/19/21

AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):

Consider/Approve the posting and hiring of one Special Education Instructional Assistant at Fort Wright Elementary for 2021-2022 school year.

APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

03.21 Hiring (Classified)

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

Currently, the Structured Teaching Unit (STU) classroom at Fort Wright Elementary has one teacher, two assistants, and eight students. The Moderate to Severe Disabilities (MSD) classroom at Fort Wright Elementary has one teacher, two assistants, and seven students. There has been an increase of three students total between the MSD and STU specialty classrooms since the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. One student was placed in the MSD classroom on 08/16/21; however, this student was not on the original allocation from the Spring. The second student is a new enrollee in the STU classroom and entered on 09/09/21. The third student is a new enrollee that entered on 10/12/21 in the STU classroom. Fort Wright has been utilizing additional staff members not assigned to a special education role to support the needs of the students. The significant needs of the new students, along with the academic, social, behavioral, and medical needs of the students that were already present in both the MSD and STU classrooms, will require an additional Special Education Instructional Assistant in order to facilitate instruction and provide access to each student's least restrictive environment. This position will support students in both the MSD and STU classrooms. The Kenton County School District is requesting approval to post and hire one additional Special Education Instructional Assistant to support the students in the MSD and STU specialty classrooms.

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

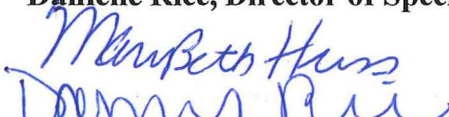
The cost is \$23,538 to be paid out of Special Education IDEA Funds.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval to post and hire one Special Education Instructional Assistant at Fort Wright Elementary for the 2021-2022 school year.

CONTACT PERSON:

Danielle Rice, Director of Special Education


Principal/Administrator


District Administrator


Superintendent

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