

THE KENTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Dr. Henry Webb, Superintendent of Schools

KCSD ISSUE PAPER

DATE:

May 22, 2019

AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):

Consider/Approve Contract with Northern Kentucky Cooperative for Educational Services (NKCES) for visual impairment services for the 2019-2020 school year per students' IEP's.

APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

01.11 General Powers and Duties of the Board

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

Finding a certified teacher of the visually impaired (TVI) is very difficult. This is and has been a critical shortage. KCSD has not been able to find a TVI teacher the last two school years. KCSD has students who need Braille instruction which only a certified TVI teacher can provide. NKCES has a TVI teacher and a paraprofessional that they have on staff for districts to utilize in order to provide visual impairment services to students. Each year, the districts who utilize these services will vary depending on their student needs which means the cost varies annually as well. Kenton County has utilized these during the last two school years.

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

The cost of this service will be @37,000 for the 2019-2020 school year. This cost will be paid from IDEA-B funds.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of Contract with NKCES for visual impairment services for the 2019-2020 school year per students' IEP's.

CONTACT PERSON:

Becky Nixon, Director of Special Education

Principal

District Administrator

Suberintendent

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Agreement for Visually Impaired and Hearing Impaired Services School Year 2019-2020

This is an agreement between the following districts to contract for VI and/or HI services: Bellevue Independent, Campbell County, Covington Independent, Dayton Independent, Fort Thomas Independent, Kenton County, Ludlow Independent, Southgate Independent, and Walton-Verona Independent.

NKCES District agrees to pay NKCES for VI and/or HI services delivered to or on behalf of students with disabilities enrolled in NKCES District, as identified by the school's Director of Special Education for the 2019-2020 school year.

NKCES agrees to handle the finances for VI and/or HI services to students with disabilities enrolled in NKCES District, as identified by the districts' Director of Special Education.

NKCES agrees to maintain confidentiality of student records and VI and/or HI records in accordance with NKCES District policy, and all State and Federal statutes and regulations.

TERM OF SERVICE AGREEMENT

This service agreement shall be for a term of one year from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

NKCES district Kenton County agrees to pay \$3,635.63 per month (August 2019 – May 2020) for a total of \$36,356.27 per year for services.

| NKCES DISTRICT, Kenton County | | |
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| District Representative | Date | |