

# **Issue Paper**

## DATE:

07/18/2023

## **AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):**

Consider/Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Dayton Independent Schools (DIS) and the Kenton County School District (KCSD) for DIS students to enroll in the KCSD Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) program for the 2023-2024 school year.

## APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

01.1 Legal Status of the Board

## **HISTORY/BACKGROUND:**

The KCSD has a district JROTC program housed at Scott High School. The DIS system does not currently have JROTC program. The MOU will provide DIS students the opportunity to enroll in the KCSD JROTC program. This will be the second year that DIS students are eligible to participate and there can be up to 5 students participating from DIS.

## FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

No cost to KCSD.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval to accept the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Dayton Independent Schools (DIS) and the Kenton County School District (KCSD) for DIS students to enroll in the KCSD Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) program for the 2023-2024 school year.

**CONTACT PERSON:** 

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Principal/Administrator District Administrator Superinte

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#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### Between

## Kenton County School District

#### And

## **Dayton Independent Schools**

## Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) Program

#### Parties

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by Kenton County School District (KCSD) and Dayton Independent Schools (IS) to specify the terms and conditions for the KCSD Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) Program housed at Scott High School under which DIS students will attend.

#### II. BACKGROUND

The KCSD has a district JROTC Program serving students from Scott, Simon Kenton, and Dixie Heights High Schools. Dayton Independent Schools does not currently have a JROTC Program and desires to enter into an agreement with the KCSD to provide their high school students with the opportunity to participate in this program. The maximum number of students to be accepted under this agreement at any time is 5. The DIS students in the KCSD JROTC will attend the full school day at Scott High School and be enrolled in a full schedule including JROTC, core content, and other electives. The DIS will follow all of the KCSD calendar, code of conduct, and policies/procedures. In addition, the DIS students will follow all of Scott High Schools start times, end times, scheduling, and school rules. This includes Scott High School graduation requirements of 28 credits.

#### III. KCSD JROTC PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The KCSD JROTC Program is designed for 9th through 12th grade students. As JROTC students (Cadets) progress through the program where they experience opportunities to lead other Cadets. The JROTC curriculum provides equitable and challenging academic content and authentic learning experiences for all Cadets. All lessons are designed using a four part model to motivate the Cadet, allow the Cadet to learn new information, practice competency, and apply the competency to a real-life situation. Moreover, the four part model requires Cadets to collaborate, reflect, develop critical thinking skills, and integrate content with other disciplines. JROTC curriculum includes lessons in leadership, health and wellness, physical fitness, first-aid, geography, American history and government, communications, and emotional intelligence.

Cadets participate in a myriad of co-curricular activities to demonstrate their attainment of lesson outcomes. Some of these activities include precision and exhibition military drill competitions, Raider Challenge competitions, JROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl (JLAB), Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics 1 (STEM) Camp, and a physical fitness competition known as JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC). Cadets who complete 4 years of JROTC co-curricular activities and its challenging curriculum will be more college and/or career ready.

#### IV. DAYTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS RESPONSIBLITIES

- All DIS students will need to complete an application process and be reviewed by Scott High School principal for acceptance.
- DIS must provide transportation to and from Scott High School and/or ensure the DIS students have provided their own transportation.
- . DIS will follow the KCSD Code of Conduct.
- DIS must provide an administrator as the primary contact for KCSD to reach out to on all matters concerning DIS students attending KCSD JROTC housed at Scott High School.
- DIS students will follow all Scott High School start time, end time, and class scheduling.
- DIS will cover cost of textbooks, online access fees, extra-curricular fees, and co-curricular fees.
- DIS will cover cost for student's lunch and/or ensure scholars provide their own lunch.
- DIS will provide SEEK funds that equal KCSD SEEK amount for fiscal year 2023-2024 for each DIS student. This will include base SEEK and any additional qualifiers for each scholar.
- DIS will provide KCSD SEEK Funds by September 15th.
- If student(s) return to DIS during the school year the SEEK Funds remain at KCSD.
- The MOU will be reviewed annually by DIS and KCSD.

## V. TERM OF AGREEMENT

This agreement shall remain in force and effect until terminated by either party upon thirty days written notice to the other party.

#### VI. SIGNATURES:

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to the responsibilities set forth in this Memorandum of Understanding for our respective organizations.

Kenton County School District - Superintendent	Date
Dayton Independent Schools - Superintendent	Date