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## Issue Paper

**DATE:**

4/15/25

**AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):**

**Consider/Approve Kenton County School District (KCS D) Memorandums of Understandings (MOU) with The Ridge, SUN Behavioral Health, and Cancer Family Care to continue ancillary mental health services to students during the 2025-2026 school year.**

**APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:**

**01.1 - Legal Status of the Board**

**HISTORY/BACKGROUND:**

**The KCS D requests to continue partnerships with agencies to provide additional mental health services for students. The Ridge and Sun Behavioral Health provide level of care assessments for students. The Cancer Family Care provides services for students who are impacted by cancer or have family members who have cancer.**

**FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

**N/A**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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**CONTACT PERSON:**

**Karen Hendrix, Director of District Wide Programs**

  
Principal/Administrator

  
District Administrator

  
Superintendent

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## The Kenton County School District

### Agreement: *The Ridge*

2025-2026

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and ***The Ridge*** will have the following components:

1. The goal is to facilitate the **level of care assessments** to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify for services.
2. ***The Ridge*** will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide supports for students.
3. ***The Ridge*** will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
4. ***The Ridge*** will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, ***The Ridge*** agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCS D based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by ***The Ridge*** pursuant to this agreement.
5. ***The Ridge*** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
6. ***The Ridge*** will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
7. ***The Ridge*** will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
  - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
  - Refer students for services using the ***The Ridge*** referral process.
  - Comply with FERPA standards.
  - Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by ***The Ridge***
11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

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Karen Hendrix, Director of Districtwide Programs  
Kenton County School District

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The Ridge

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Date

Date approved by KCS D Board of Education: \_\_\_\_\_



## The Kenton County School District

### Agreement: **SUN Behavioral Health**

2025-2026

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and **SUN Behavioral Health** will have the following components:

1. The goal is to facilitate the provision of **level of care assessments and/or mobile assessments** to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify for services.
2. **SUN Behavioral Health** will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide supports for students.
3. **SUN Behavioral Health** will insure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
4. **SUN Behavioral Health** will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, **SUN Behavioral Health** agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCS D based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by **SUN Behavioral Health** pursuant to this agreement.
5. **SUN Behavioral Health** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
6. **SUN Behavioral Health** will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
7. **SUN Behavioral Health** will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
  - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
  - Refer students for services using the **SUN Behavioral Health** referral process.
  - Comply with FERPA standards.
  - Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by **SUN Behavioral Health**
11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

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Karen Hendrix, Director of Districtwide Programs  
Kenton County School District

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SUN Behavioral Health

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Date

Date approved by KCS D Board of Education: \_\_\_\_\_



## The Kenton County School District

### Agreement: Cancer Family Care

2025-2026

The Collaborative Service Agreement between the staff of Kenton County School District and **Cancer Family Care** will have the following components:

1. The goal is to facilitate the provision of **Cancer Family Care** to students who are referred by the Kenton County School District or its agents and qualify for services.
2. **Cancer Family Care** will provide services for students in the school setting or other public location and consult and collaborate with school staff to provide support for students.
3. **Cancer Family Care** will ensure compliance with all existing federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the scope of practice of their services and abide by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
4. **Cancer Family Care** will maintain appropriate professional and liability insurance. To the extent not covered and paid by insurance, **Cancer Family Care** agrees that he/she will be responsible for any claims, losses, liability, demands and damages, and agrees to hold harmless and/or indemnify from any loss, damage, claim or expense incurred by the KCS D based solely on negligence, errors, or omissions by related to the performance of services conducted by **Cancer Family Care** pursuant to this agreement.
5. **Cancer Family Care** will provide a list of personnel and their role, who will be working in the Kenton County School District, by the first day of school and updated if changes are made during the term of the agreement.
6. **Cancer Family Care** will comply with state regulations which may include background checks, fingerprinting, child abuse and neglect check, etc as required by the Kenton County School District for outside providers working with students in the Kenton County School District. (REG 160.151)
7. **Cancer Family Care** will collaborate with the district liaison when appropriate.
8. During the term of this agreement, the Kenton County School District agrees to:
  - provide a safe environment, space, and reasonable accommodations to allow the provision of services during the school day and in the school buildings.
  - Refer students for services using the **Cancer Family Care** referral process.
  - Comply with FERPA standards.
  - Provide a district liaison for questions and concerns.
10. The Kenton County School District is not responsible for payment for services provided by **Cancer Family Care**
11. The terms of this agreement are valid for one calendar year. It is contingent on approval from the Kenton County Board of Education.
12. The Kenton County Board of Education reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time, without cause.

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Karen Hendrix, Director of Districtwide Programs  
Kenton County School District

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Cancer Family Care

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Date approved by KCS D Board of Education: \_\_\_\_\_