

ATTACHMENT NO. IX-C: Summer School for ELL Students

Potential motion: Move to approve 2015 Summer School for ELL Students

Recommended action: Approve as presented.

Dr. Bridget Belcastro is requesting the district provide summer school for approximately 40 students entering grades 1-5 who qualify for ELL services. The purpose of the summer school program would be to continue to improve their English language and reading skills with the hope that they make gains on the ACCESS test given in January-February each year.

The plan would be to teach a section at Capron in the morning from 8-11 a.m. and a section at Poplar Grove in the afternoon from 12-3. The summer school would be provided by a certified ELL teacher working with one Bilingual Para Professional. We would offer twelve days of summer school for a total of 36 hours per student. Summer school would take place three days per week (Tuesday-Thursday) for a total of four weeks during the month of July. Instruction would take place on Tuesday and Wednesday. Each Thursday would be an educational field trip day.

The money for the ELL Summer School program would come from the ELL-TBE/TPI and Title III Grant provided by ISBE. In order to use this money, Dr. Belcastro would make an amendment to the current grant if approved by the NBCUSD #200 BOE. The total cost of the summer school would not exceed \$6,750 with approximately \$3,600 going toward salaries and the remaining \$3,100 going toward supplies, snacks and field trips. The attached sheet shows an estimated breakdown of the anticipated costs.

We would not be offering transportation to students except for the field trips. Last year, we provided this summer school program and had more than thirty students attend.

2015 ELL Summer School Estimated Costs

Salaries

\$3612-1 teacher and 1 assistant

Supplies

\$400 for workbooks based on 40 students

Transportation

\$803.48

Event Ticket Prices

Shedd Aquarium-Free

Belvidere Conservation District-\$100

Medieval Times- \$1200

Discovery Center-\$320

Total: \$6435.48