Recommendation to Approve Agreement FY21-153 – Mental Health Screener for Select Students September 1, 2020 Board Agenda

CONTINUATION OF SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND

The assessment is completed in just fifteen (15) minutes, and the results are immediately provided to members of the school's response team (counselors, social workers, etc.), who are trained extensively by Terrace Metrics, Inc. (TM) on the software. These results are converted into several products, including parent reports, access to parent- and educator-specific videos and curriculum, and comprehensive school and district reports.

Solution: TM has created a user-friendly software that assesses the most robust predictors of interpersonal and intrapersonal functioning, both of which are vital components of current and future academic success. All indicators within the system have strong empirical evidence, are norm-referenced, and provide a psychometrically sound "snapshot" of a student's strength or deficiency. These results, which are incorporated into the comprehensive student, parent, school, and district reports, are directly linked to effective parent and educator-based videos, empirically based curricula, and other essential resources that provide straightforward and practical suggestions for improvement or intervention. More important, TM actively partners with each district and school through every step in the process. District Administrators provide in-person training to those who will use the software, and it provides immediate and live support (and onsite assistance if requested). The process is efficient, requiring little of school resources and is financially sensible for all types of school districts.