

# **PUGET SOUND EDUCATIONAL SERVICE DISTRICT REGIONAL THREAT ASSESSMENT COOPERATIVE Interlocal Cooperative Agreement**

This Interlocal Agreement is made and entered into as of this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, by and between Puget Sound Educational Service District (“PSESD”), a political subdivision of Washington State and **Mercer Island School District**, a Washington State school district (“District”).

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

**WHEREAS**, PSESD and District are public agencies as defined by chapter 39.34 RCW and are authorized to enter into interlocal agreements to provide for joint or cooperative actions;

**WHEREAS**, Washington State law authorizes local school districts and educational service districts to join together to form cooperatives for the purpose of making joint purchases and operating joint programs (RCW 39.34 and 28A.320.080);

**WHEREAS**, Washington State law directs educational service districts (ESDs) to establish cooperative service programs for school districts within said educational service district boundaries (RCW 28A.310.180);

**NOW THEREFORE**, a Regional Threat Assessment Cooperative is hereby established according to the terms and conditions contained within this Agreement.

## **2. NAME**

- A. This Cooperative shall be known as the Puget Sound Educational Service District Regional Threat Assessment Cooperative. Although there are similarities, the Regional Threat Assessment Cooperative is mutually exclusive of the PSESD Safety Cooperative.

## **3. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT**

- A. PSESD and the District are entering into this Agreement for the purpose of the District’s participation in the Student Threat Assessment Program organized by PSESD. Services provide a comprehensive multidimensional system to assist schools in addressing students who pose a threat for committing acts of violence and to assure students and their families are provided options for intervention/support. Services are provided through a coordinated assessment of risk levels:
  - 1. Level I services are coordinated within school-based site teams.
  - 2. Level II services engage a multi-agency community team with school – based site teams.
- B. The Threat Assessment Cooperative is established as a resource for the mutual benefit of regional K-12 educational partners to create a uniform, collaborative response to responding to threats of potentially harmful or lethal behaviors and determine the level of concern and action required.
- C. It is the intention of the Threat Assessment Cooperative to organize resources and strategies to manage situation involving student that pose threats to self, other students, staff and the community through high-quality training, networking and resource coordination opportunities that are culturally responsive and trauma informed.

D. The Threat Assessment Cooperative is intended to be an advisory led, cost-effective model that facilitates the implementation of high-quality threat assessment services by regional school communities. Once in operation, the Threat Assessment Cooperative will support a learning environment for all stakeholders that is free of distractions caused by fear.

**4. DURATION/TERMINATION**

A. This contract will auto renew annually on August 1st. Each year on or about May 1<sup>st</sup>, district cooperative members will receive an email from the ESD providing notification of any cost or membership benefit changes. Districts will have 30 days to opt out of the following year's membership once they receive the correspondence.

**5. MEMBERSHIP**

A. Membership in the Regional Threat Cooperative is at the organizational level.

B. Membership entitles the Member Cooperative to services described in Attachment A.

**6. MEMBERSHIP FEE**

A. Cost for **Mercer Island School District** is assessed at **\$7,313** Costs are calculated at a \$1.80 per combined district/student FTE (using Washington State School Report Card Count for 2022-23), and based on the continued commitment of all current school district membership. For SY 23-24, a discount of 20% is being applied to new and returning cooperative members. The cost for **Mercer Island School District** will be discounted to **\$5,851** for SY 23-24.

**7. SERVICES**

A. Membership includes services and terms specified in Description of Services for 2023-24 PSESD Regional Threat Assessment Cooperative marked as "Attachment A".

B. Cooperative services are informed by the previous year's Membership Advisory.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this parties have executed this Agreement.

**PUGET SOUND EDUCATIONAL  
SERVICE DISTRICT**

Minu Ranna Stewart      6/16/2023  
(Signature)      (Date)

Minu Ranna-Stewart  
(Printed Name)

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**MEMBER COOPERATIVE'S NAME:**

**Mercer Island School District**  
Matt Sullivan      6-9-23  
(Signature)      (Date)

Matt Sullivan  
(Printed Name)

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Account Code(s):  
**01 R 960 2095-71\***

Contract Amount(s):  
**\$ 5,851**

## Attachment A

### Description of Services for 2023-24 PSESD Regional Threat Assessment Cooperative

- Individual and/or regional Level 1 training in the Salem Kaiser Cascade (SK) model adapted to include a race equity and trauma informed lens;
- Regional Level 2 training in SKC model with race equity and trauma informed lens;
- Engagement, training, formalizing of the relationship with (MOU or MOA) and deployment of community partners for Level 2 team;
- Monthly Level 2 Threat Assessment Networking & Case Review Sessions;
- Ongoing consultation by the PSESD Threat Assessment team.
- Repository of protocols;
- Data collection, review and analysis of training, L1 and L2 case reviews.
- Bimonthly Professional Learning Community (PLC)/peer consultation facilitation for Threat Assessment at PSESD, Renton.