Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
April 18, 2024	A-8

Title

Approval of Renewal of Partnership Agreement with Bethesda Community Clinic

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Approve the Renewal of the Partnership Agreement with Bethesda Community Clinic

Summary Explanation and Background

One of the School Board's Blueprint 2020-24 Five Priority Areas is increasing meaningful family, partner and community engagement. We believe the meaningful connections we forge with students, families and community partners positively influence how we teach, lead and prepare graduates for success in a knowledge-based, technology rich and culturally diverse world.

The School Board is requested to consider the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the partnership agreement renewal with Bethesda Community Clinic.

Priority Area

Family, Partner and Community Engagement

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

Agreement Attached

Source of Additional Information

Mary Elizabeth Davis, PhD	770.479.1871
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PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND

BETHESDA COMMUNITY CLINIC

This agreement entered into on this 18~~9~~th day of April, 2024~~18~~ by and between the Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board" and Bethesda Community Clinic, hereinafter referred to as BCC.

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School ~~Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process~~ District's Priority Areas is Family, Partner and Community Engagement; and,

WHEREAS, BCC's mission is to demonstrate the compassion of Christ by providing quality healthcare to those in need, to be a healthcare home for people in need of affordable care, and a solution for our growing county's burdened healthcare system; and,

WHEREAS, BCC is a non-profit community health care provider located in Holly Springs, Georgia; and,

WHEREAS, BCC is a primary care provider offering free medical care for citizens of Cherokee County. Additionally, BCC offers low-cost healthcare services for those who are uninsured or underinsured in Cherokee County; and,

WHEREAS, BCC is working with other agencies in Cherokee County to engage the community and assist in providing care to patients in need.

Now, therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Promote BCC programs and events through existing communication channels, as permitted by School Board policy.
2. Provide referrals to BCC when applicable.
3. Explore/pursue joint grant and professional development opportunities in both parties' best interest.

ARTICLE III

BCC will:

1. See patients, referred by the School Board to BCC for services, in a fashion consistent with BCC's vision and consistent with BCC's methods of providing services.
2. Explore/pursue joint grant and professional development opportunities in both parties' best interest.
3. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, BCC must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.
4. Agree to hold harmless and indemnify the School District against any claims, demands, losses or damages, including reasonable attorney's fees, which may arise as a result of this contract.

ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is April 18~~9~~, 2024~~18~~ through April 18~~9~~, 20~~19~~25. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at PO Box 789, Canton, Georgia 30114, and

to the Executive Director of Bethesda Community Clinic at ~~107~~11 Mountain Brook Dr., Suite 100, Canton, GA 30115.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

BETHESDA COMMUNITY CLINIC.

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By: Melissa Belfield, Executive Director

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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By: Mary Elizabeth Davis, PhD

Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Abby Roach, Esquire