Central Office Supports for Campuses

This memo provides an overview of program, resource and supports that central office is still committed to funding for campuses. As you know, HISD is working to prevent a significant budget deficit that requires cost-saving measures across the District. This has resulted in a reduction in workforce and program supports given many things in the past three years were funded by ESSER. Budget decisions were made to ensure the student programmatic experience in SY24-25 was not substantially impacted. In specific and unique cases where schools do not believe that they can fund their programs, please contact your Division Superintendent.

Overview of Centrally Funded Campus Supports

Core Curriculum

- For NES campuses, central office will provide all NES curriculum for grades K 10.
- For Non-NES campuses, central office will fund core curriculum on the approved list for RLA, Math and Science. The following <u>pre-determined components will be provided</u> for each product. These approved components will ensure campuses can cover 100% of the TEKS. If campuses wish to purchase add-on components, they may do so with their campus budget.
- For Non-NES campuses, central office will provide K-12 Savvas Social Studies and 6 12 Active Classroom as optional social studies resources.
- For all campuses, central office will provide optional curriculum for US History, English III, Algebra II, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL 1 & 2) and the AI Elective.
- Professional development for teachers and leaders will be provided for all approved curriculum.

Supplemental Curriculum

Central office will fund the following supplemental resources for campuses. Non-NES campuses may still purchase supplemental curriculum not listed below using campus budgets (Note: C&D campuses still require division review and approval).

- Zearn Math for all campuses in grades K-8 (campuses must agree to meet usage requirements of 3 lessons per week)
- Amira for NES campuses only in grades K 2
- Summit K-12 for all campuses in grades K-12
- APEX for all high schools in grades 9-12
- Newsela for all campuses in grades K-12
- Learning A to Z for all campuses in grades K-2

Assessment

- Central office will fund all assessments included on the assessment calendar for the required schools and grades. All campuses will have access to over 130,000 assessment items and district-created formative assessments in the OnTrack platform.
- All campuses will continue to have access to Khan A Khan Academy for test preparation support for SAT and TSIA 2.0.

Fine Arts

- Central office is maintaining the Fine Arts department at Central office. This department supports campuses in creating and coordinating opportunities for students to participate in competitions in the areas of music, dance, visual arts and theater. They also work with community partners and professionals to train teachers in fine arts instruction. This does not include instrument repair, additional equipment, competition transportation or program supplies.
- Central office will fund the NES Dyad program.

Pre-K

- Central office will fund Pre-K expansion of all open new classrooms including new curriculum, furniture, equipment, supplies and construction as needed.
- Central office will continue to fund 50% of the salary for Pre-K Teaching Assistants at Non-NES campuses. Central office will fund Pre-K Teaching Assistants at NES schools as part of the NES standardized staffing model.

Credit Recovery

 Central office will fund credit recovery through APEX, including technical support and training.

Counseling and Advising

- Central office will fund SchoolLinks for all campuses to support course scheduling and planning.
- Comprehensive High Schools will have access to one or two central office college advisors
 per campus. These advisors will be allocated based on campus need and size. This support
 for campuses is offered in addition to counselors that campuses fund out of their campus
 budgets. Campuses may also choose to fund additional college and career advisors with
 their campus budgets.

Advanced Coursework and Career & Technical Education

- Central office will cover all costs for dual credit, dual enrollment, AP and IB programming, including student fees, curriculum and textbooks, professional development, testing, and exams.
- Central office will fund CTE curriculum, student IBC testing fees, professional development and the necessary operational materials and maintenance to sustain all CTE Programs of Study. Additionally, central office covers the cost of staff for the four Foundational Programs of Study.

Special Education

- Central office will fund a Dyslexia Interventionist at non-NES schools where 26 or more students need services. Central office will continue to fund Dyslexia Interventionists at NES schools as part of the NES standardized staffing model.
- Campuses will have access to NESSY, a Dyslexia platform, until December 2024. Campuses have the option to budget for access to the platform beyond that date.

Student Supports

- Campuses will be able to access wraparound support at the division level. All staff, parents and students may continue to submit Student Assistance Forms (SAF) to ensure all student needs can be identified and supported.
- Central office and division staff will support maintaining campus resource centers so immediate basic needs for students can be met, including clothing, school supplies and hygiene products.
- Through the Continuum of care model, the central office will connect students and families to services for longer term and unmet needs. This includes services like after school enrichment, parent workshops, case management and homeless and foster care supports.
- Central office will provide health and mental health telehealth services at no cost to families, through a partnership with Hazel Health. Services are available right now to 88 campuses and at Sunrise Centers. This fall services will be available at all HISD campuses, Sunrise Centers and at home, for every student in the District.

Information Technology

- IT will continue to support service requests for IT issues through the IT Service Desk. In addition, IT User Device Techs located at the Division will continue to support campuses. Should campuses want an embedded Tech on campus, they should budget accordingly.
- Middle schools and high schools will receive 1:1 Chromebooks Devices. Campuses are
 responsible for replacement of lost devices, damaged devices and power adapters. The IT
 department will no longer be collecting devices at the end of year. Campus staff will be
 responsible for day-to-day support and inventory of devices.
- All campuses devices that are under warranty will continue to be supported by the IT Department. All campus device repairs outside of the standard warranty will need to be covered under the campuses budget.