

DATE: March 3, 2021

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Mrs. Carmen Ghysels, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

SUBJECT: Grant from Excellence in Education Foundation for Back IN School Support

PRESENTED BY: Mrs. Carmen Ghysels, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

ACTION REQUESTED

Accept grant from Excellence in Education Foundation for Back IN School Support. The grant will help cover the various items recommended to get our students and staff back in school, including but not limited to the air purifiers.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

TTUSD transitioned back to the hybrid school model on February 1. TTUSD is working with the recently updated CDPH (California Dept of Public Health) Guidelines to open schools safely. The district is incurring many unbudgeted and currently unfunded expenses to meet the safety guidelines.

The school district just purchased 140 HEPA air purifiers (\$300.00 each) for all middle and high school classrooms. The air purifiers are a new CDPH recommendation to help with circulation and cleaner air. Air purifiers add a layer of protection - especially for middle and high school classrooms as multiple students travel from class to class throughout the day. The standalone purifiers are in addition to the MERV 13 filters installed in all buildings.

The school district would like to purchase air purifiers for elementary classrooms as well. A grant from EEF would help cover these or other items needed for transitioning students and staff back to school as safely as possible.

TTUSD has exceeded the COVID support funding they received from the state. They may receive additional federal or state funding; however, there is no guarantee of the amount or timeline.

RESOURCES REQUIRED: \$10,000.00 – Excellence in Education Foundation

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Attachment: Grant form and letter