

Hardee County Public Schools School Board Agenda Analysis



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Subject:

Recommend approval of the following agreement 2018-2019 Rate and Service Agreement for the Teen Parent Program with RCMA (Redlands Christian Migrant Association)

Background Information:

This contract is a renewal agreement with RCMA (Redlands Christian Migrant Association) for the childcare services component of our teen parent program. This service is a state mandated entitlement program under F.S 1003.54

Administrative Consideration (include F.S., Rule, Authority, etc.):

Florida Statute 1001.43 allows for School Boards to adopt “policies providing for fiscal management for the school district.”

Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal Three: To improve graduation rate and dropout rate and percentage of students pursuing post-secondary education and training.

Fiscal Impact:

The childcare services component of our teen parents’ program has been budgeted for in the 2018-19 District Supplemental Academic Instruction (SAI) funding. The estimated cost for this year is \$39,200. The children in this program do earn appropriate FTE.

Director of Finance signature:

Proposed Recommendation to School Board:

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of the Rate and Service Agreement for the RCMA (Redlands Christian Migrant Association) daycare for the 2018-2019 school year.

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**Hardee County Teen Parent Program
RATE & SERVICE AGREEMENT
Between
Hardee County School Board and
Redlands Christian Migrant Association**

The following agreement describes the childcare needed for the TEEN PARENT program in Hardee County, Florida. This program offers childcare to the children of teenage parents who are, or have been, enrolled in the program. The ages of the children in child care range from six-week-old infants through four-year-old pre-kindergarten students. The number of children in child care would vary during the school year. The program must be in operation for 180 school days; for the 2018-2019 school year it will run between the dates of August 10, 2018 and May 24, 2019. Summer school needs will be met by requesting funds from the Hardee County School Readiness Coalition.

Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA) agrees to:

- a. Provide a high quality infant, toddler and preschool program for children of teenage mothers and fathers at the RCMA Fred Dennis Child Development Center in Wauchula. The Fred Dennis Child Development Center is accredited by the National Accreditation Commission (NAC) and will make sure the program maintains a high quality of comprehensive services to children and their families. RCMA will make sure that all insurance and licensure standards are in compliance with state and federal laws.
- b. Follow all Department of Children & Families rules and regulations regarding childcare and licensing.
- c. Comply with all applicable regulations of the Hardee County Schools, i.e. entrance to public school, medication administration, etc.
- d. Serve as the fiscal agent to administer funds for the operation of the childcare program.
- e. Coordinate parent/child activities with the school guidance counselor, Leigh Beumel.
- f. Provide training for all infant, toddler and preschool teachers and family service staff who will be working with the teen parents.

The Hardee County School Board agrees to:

- a. Coordinate parent/child activities and all other support services to teen parents with the staff at the Fred Dennis Child Development Center. As the HHS school counselor, Leigh Beumel will communicate with attendance to allow 1 excused absence per semester for parent/child events at RCMA. Class(es) absences will only be excused for the time of the event at RCMA. The entire day is not excused. Documentation must be provided by the student of the event and verification of attendance at the event.

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- b. Pay RCMA based upon the number of days enrolled per child per month multiplied by the daily reimbursement rate of \$28 per child up to 8. Monthly invoices will be submitted by RCMA, along with daily attendance sheets, as documentation.

The Hardee County School Board agrees to guarantee eight (8) childcare slots throughout the contract period. RCMA shall invoice the School Board for the agreed upon number of slots each month, regardless of current enrollment, to be paid at the agreed upon rate. The number of childcare slots is based on pregnancies in progress and anticipated childcare needs for the contract period.

REDLANDS CHRISTIAN MIGRANT ASSOCIATION

HARDEE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

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6/22/2018

Date

Paul Samuels, Chairperson

Date