

TITLE: Approve Vendor
Recommendation for Renewal of the
Contract for Virtual High School Online
Courses with Advanced Academics

DATE: October 25, 2011

CONTRACT RENEWAL RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND:

We request that the MISD Board of Trustees approve the recommendation as made by the Purchasing Department, in conjunction with the Division of Curriculum and Instruction, for renewing the contract #12-055 for Virtual High School Online Courses with Advanced Academics.

CONSIDERATIONS:

Attached is the Advanced Academic (AAI) School District Services and License Agreement. The purpose of renewing this contract is to allow MISD students the ability to utilize online learning as an option. The contract also allows for AAI online courses to be placed on the TxVirtual School Network catalog as Mansfield ISD courses available to other students in public and charter schools across Texas. Online courses have become necessary due to scheduling conflicts, 4x4 impact on schedules, accelerated learning, increased course offerings and for transfer students.

The Board approved the initial contract with Advanced Academics on April 28, 2009. The District has experienced success with this program and recommends renewing this contract through June 30, 2012.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Purchasing Department, in conjunction with the Division of Curriculum and Instruction, recommends that the contract #12-055 for Virtual High School Online Courses with Advanced Academics be renewed and that the AAI School District Services and License Agreement be negotiated and signed by the Superintendent.