

# Terrell Independent School District

## Executive Summary Report

Date	District Guiding Pillar	
May 18, 2026	<p><b>Goal 1:</b> Student Achievement: Accelerate student learning to dramatically increase the number of students who perform on or above grade level.</p> <p><b>Goal 2:</b> School Culture: Create safe and secure learning environments that focus on the social, emotional, and cultural needs of every student.</p> <p><b>Goal 3:</b> Human Capital and Resources: Develop the capacity of every teacher and staff member to deliver rigorous, enriching learning experiences to every student and ensure the safety of all.</p> <p><b>Goal 4:</b> Organizational Efficiency: Develop a resource allocation plan and long-term facilities plan that supports and maintains the financial stability of the district, is aligned with identified priorities, addresses future growth and facility improvement needs, and represents being good stewards of taxpayer funds.</p> <p><b>Goal 5:</b> Community Engagement and Outreach: Elevate district pride by strengthening partnerships with families, the community, and the business community.</p>	

**Agenda Item:** Consider Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding Between Terrell ISD and Texas Health Community Hope

**Summary:**

This summary outlines the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between **Terrell Independent School District (TISD)** and **Texas Health Community Hope (THCH)**. The agreement establishes the "Texas Health Learning Gardens Collaboration," a project designed to integrate hands-on agricultural education into the district's curriculum.

The "Learning Gardens" project aims to provide students with experiential learning opportunities focused on nutrition, science, and community health.

- **Services Provided:** THCH will provide a dedicated **Garden Educator** (hired consultant) for each school location.
- **Supplies:** THCH is responsible for all reasonable supplies necessary to implement and maintain the program.
- **TISD Role:** As the "Beneficiary," the District provides the space and ensures all collaborating organizations comply with the agreement terms.

The MOU includes standard legal protections for the District, including:

- **HIPAA Compliance:** Ensuring any student health data (if applicable) remains protected.
- **Independent Relationship:** The agreement clarifies that no joint venture or employment relationship is created; Garden Educators are consultants hired by THCH.
- **Governing Law:** The agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Texas, with venue in **Kaufman County**.

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees **approve** this MOU. This partnership provides specialized instructional staff and resources at no cost to the District, directly supporting our wellness initiatives and STEM curriculum without impacting the general fund.

**Attachments:**

[Memorandum of Understanding between Terrell ISD and Texas Health Community Hope](#)

**Administrative Recommendation:**

Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve Memorandum of Understanding between Terrell ISD and Texas Health Community Hope

**Budget/Funding**

N/A