

**Discussion and approval of the contract for Emergent Tree Education Inc. for Designing
Sustainable Behavior Systems in School
May 11, 2026**

1. Board Goals:

Domain 1: High Quality Curriculum And Effective Instruction

Domain 2: Effective, Well Supported Staff

Domain 3: Positive School Culture

Domain 4: Alignment Of Financial Well Being With Student Achievement

2. Background:

In Spring 2025 the UCISD Curriculum and Instruction Department completed a comprehensive needs assessment to assist in creating the 2025-2026 District Improvement Plan. The request to engage possible vendors over the required \$50,000 board approval threshold was approved by the board on February 17, 2025 but Emergent Tree was not included on that list. The district has been using the services of Emergent Tree Education Inc. for the school past year. It was noted that no board approved signed contract was on file.

3. Process:

Administration is submitting this item to comply with Board Policy CH Purchasing and Acquisition, Purchasing Authority. **Board Policy CH Purchasing and Acquisition, Purchasing Authority, “The Board delegates to the Superintendent the authority to make budgeted purchases for goods or services. However, any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place.”**

4. Fiscal Impact:

Expenditures will be funded through federal funds allocated for this project. School Action Funds, Title IV and IDEA B Formula Funds

5. Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve the contract to pay incurred expenditures from federal funds to support the described programs, products, initiatives, and professional development intended to improve teacher quality, instructional practices, and student performance as presented with the estimated amount of \$129,800.

6. Action Required:

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7. Contact Person:

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