

To: Jay McWilliams, Superintendent, and Board of Trustees

From: Gina Slover, Director of Special Education
Melissa Tarbet, Director of Business Services

Date: July 13, 2026

Speech services are required for many of our special education students and the services are listed in their Individual Education Plans. Currently, BSISD has no speech therapists employed by the district.

In order to provide speech therapy to our students, we will contract with Shine Speech Therapy to provide on-site speech therapy services. Shine Speech Therapy was selected through RFP#2025-001 to meet purchasing law requirements.

As required by Purchasing and Acquisition policy CH (local), any single budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$150,000 or more shall require Board Approval.

The estimated cost to provide these services for the 2026-27 school year is \$785,000 to Shine Speech Therapy. \$720,000 of these expenditures will be paid from 199 local and \$65,000 will be paid from 224 federal.

Recommendation: I recommend the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure to pay Shine Speech Therapy as set out in RFP No. 2025-001 for the estimated expense over \$150,000.