

Agenda Request Form

Cherokee County School District

Meeting Date
November 15, 2018

Agenda Item Number
A-10

Title
Approval of Partnership Agreement with Life University
Requested Action
School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Approve Partnership Agreement with Life University
Summary Explanation and Background
<p>One of the School Board's Major System Priorities is increasing parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process.</p> <p>The School Board is requested to consider the Superintendent's recommendation to approve a Partnership Agreement with Life University.</p>
Major System Priority
Increasing parental and community involvement
Financial Impact
N/A
Exhibits: (List)
Draft Agreement Attached

Board Action
<i>(For Official School Board Records Only)</i>

Source of Additional Information				
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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Approved in Open Board Meeting on: _____ (Date)

By: _____ (School Board Chairman)

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND
LIFE UNIVERSITY

This agreement entered into on this 15th day of November 2018 by and between The Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the “School Board” and Life University.

WHEREAS, the School Board’s mission is to educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School Board’s Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process; and,

WHEREAS, Life University is the leader in vitalistic healthcare education and strives to empower its students to succeed both professionally and personally based on its vitalistic philosophy; and,

WHEREAS, Life University’s Eight Core Proficiencies further students’ dedication to personal integrity, and provide a cornerstone for professional success, social contribution and cultural change; and,

WHEREAS, Life University’s philosophical approach is its guiding principle of Lasting Purpose: To Give, To Do, To Love, To Serve – Out of a Sense of Abundance, which recognizes that everyone – student, faculty and staff alike – has a duty to share their individual gifts with the world; and,

WHEREAS, Life University also fosters students' commitment to their full potential and peak performance in their educational pursuits and future professional lives through healthy habits that create a flourishing world community.

Now therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference:

ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Work with Life University to develop a CCSD STEM Day through which select CCSD students would visit the Life campus for a day of STEM learning led by Life University staff and a CCSD Healthcare Science Career Pathways Day through which select CCSD high school students would visit the Life campus for a day of career exploration led by Life University staff.
2. Explore apprenticeship, internship and dual enrollment program opportunities for CCSD students at Life University.
3. Pursue joint grant opportunities in both parties' best interests.
4. Pursue joint professional development opportunities in both parties' best interests.
5. Promote Life University programs and events for CCSD students, employees and families through existing communication channels, as permitted by School Board policy.

ARTICLE III

Life University will:

1. Work with CCSD to develop a CCSD STEM Day through which select CCSD students would visit the Life campus for a day of STEM learning led by Life University staff and a

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2. Explore apprenticeship, internship and dual enrollment program opportunities for CCSD students at Life University.

3. Pursue joint grant opportunities in both parties' best interests.

4. Pursue joint professional development opportunities in both parties' best interests.

5. Provide Life University speakers and instructors, when available, for Career Days and STEM activities at CCSD schools.

6. Provide Life University staff, when available, to serve as mentors and presentation review board members for high school Senior Capstone Projects.

7. Share opportunities on the Life University campus, such as the Annual Run of the Lights and Dog Days, through which CCSD students could earn community service hours including to fulfill requirements for extra-curricular clubs.

8. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, Life University must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is November 15, 2018 through November 15, 2019. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at P.O. Box 769, Canton, Georgia 30169, and to the President of Life University, 1269 Barclay Cir, Marietta, GA 30060.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

LIFE UNIVERSITY

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD
OF EDUCATION

Dr. Rob Scott, President

By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

By: Dr. Brian V. Hightower
Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

Tom Roach, Esquire