M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Aiken County Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Sean Alford, Superintendent

DATE: February 23, 2016

SUBJECT: Consistent Registration Fees Across the District

A list of registration and add-on fees to be applied consistently across the district for 2016-17 is attached. We employed the following process to reach the final recommendations:

* We obtained a list of 2015-16 fees from each school and area.
* Three committees of principals met to consolidate the lists and draft a recommendation for consistent fees across the district.

Elementary Principals – Callie Herlong, Becky Koelker, and Trey Laube

Middle School Principals- Kyle Smith, Johnny Spears, and Teresa Mitchem

High School Principals – Garen Cofer, Collette Johnson, and William Hudson

* The consolidated recommendations were shared with all district principals to obtain their further input and reach consensus.
* The five area advisory councils have reviewed and ratified the list of fees, per Board policy AAA.

Consistent Registration Fees for 2016-17

Students on free lunch pay no registration fees but are expected to pay add-ons if possible.

Students on reduced lunch will pay a percentage of the registration fees based on the same percentage they pay for reduced price lunch, e.g. if reduced price lunch = $.40 with regular lunch $2.35, they will pay .40/2.35, or 17%, of registration fee amount. This percentage will need to be recalculated when the lunch prices change. This brings us in line with the “pro-rata” requirement in the state law.

Club fees (including marching band), yearbooks costs, graduation and prom costs, dual enrollment tuition, and athletic fees (including cheerleading) are not included with these recommendations.

Elementary Schools Registration Fees Recommendation

$40 for full-pay students

No add on fees, including GT

Middle Schools Registration Fees Recommendation

$45 for full-pay students

Add-ons:

 Band/strings = $15,

 Band instrument rental = $35

High School Registration Fees Recommendation

$65 for full-pay students

Add-ons:

 Parking $25

 Band instrument rental = $45

 Replacement lock = $5

 Replacement ID badge = $5

 Teacher Cadet fee = actual cost of workbook, approximately $20

 Science Lab fee (Advanced Placement) = $20

 Art = $10

 Drama = $10

 Band fee = $10

 Guitar fee = $10

CATE Courses

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|   |   | 1st Year | 2nd Year | 3rd Year |
| Culinary Arts |   | $50.00 | $50.00 |   |
| Food & Nutrition |   | $20.00 |   |   |
| Sports Medicine |   | $35.00 | $35.00 |   |
| Agriculture |   | $20.00 | $20.00 |   |
| Automotive Technology |   | $80.00 | $380.00 |   |
| Building Construction |   | $35.00 | $35.00 |   |
| Business Education\* |   | $10.00 | $10.00 |   |
| Computer Assisted Design |   | $100.00 | $85.00 |   |
| Cosmetology |   | $375.00 | $175.00 | $175.00 |
| Cosmetology w/Nail Technology |   | $450.00 | $450.00 | $450.00 |
| Criminal Justice |   | $80.00 | $80.00 |   |
| Cyber Security/Networking |   | $200.00 | $175.00 |   |
| Electricity |   | $60.00 | $60.00 |   |
| Emergency Fire Mgt |   | $85.00 | $85.00 |   |
| Fashion, Fabric & Design |   | $95.00 | $85.00 |   |
| Health Science |   | $150.00 | $150.00 | $200.00 |
| Industrial Maintenance |   | $85.00 | $75.00 |   |
| Machine Tool |   | $85.00 | $75.00 |   |
| Mechatronics (HVAC) |   | $85.00 | $75.00 |   |
| Media Technology |   | $65.00 | $65.00 |   |
| Nail Technology |   | $450.00 |   |   |
| Welding Technology |   | $200.00 | $200.00 |   |

\* The business ed fee is for advanced classes only and only if needed for supplies. Do not charge for Keyboarding and Computer Aps.

FCCLA and HOSA membership is included in CATE fees at ACCTC. Skills USA membership of $20 is paid for by the program or by the student.