BOARD AGENDA ITEM

September 11, 2018

SUBJECT:

Submission of the Project Lead the Way Gateway Grant for Langley Bath Clearwater Middle School – FY19/FY20

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Gateway Program awards middle schools nationwide the opportunity to apply for a two-year grant to support the implementation of PLTW's Gateway Introduction to Computer Science units. Their goal is to ensure that students have access to the computer science curriculum and skills that they need to succeed in our rapidly advancing, technology-based economy. This grant opportunity will expose students at Langley Bath Clearwater Middle School to curriculum-based, project-based learning and will assist in strengthening critical thinking skills that are crucial to success in today's college and career arenas. Grant funds in the amount of \$15,000 will be used for PLTW participation fees, core training and related expenses, required technology for the program, instructional supplies, and equipment for each unit. The funds will be distributed as follows: \$10,000.00 for 2018-2019; \$5,000.00 for 2019-2020.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The Division of Instruction has evaluated the goals and objectives of this grant and finds them to be consistent with district goals.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the submission of PLTW Gateway grant for Langley Bath Clearwater Middle School and the receipt of funds, if awarded.

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