

## **BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**April 20, 2021**

### **SUBJECT:**

Curriculum Technology Specialist Position Using ESSER II Funds

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II) resulted from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA), which was signed into law on December 27, 2020. Aiken County Public Schools is projected to receive \$28.2 million of this pot of funding. On March 23, 2021, the school board approved the use of ESSER II funds for a variety of activities under 15 allowable categories. District administration included a proposal to hire an additional curriculum technology specialist under the Department of Curriculum Support in the Instructional Services Division, but that item was not approved, and additional information and a job description were requested.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:**

With the implementation of a 1:1 technology initiative, Learning Virtually Everywhere, the demand for instructional curriculum technology support to teachers and administrators has increased significantly. Additionally, the number of K-12 instructional programs and resources delivered through various technologies has also increased. These positions handle the training and support for all teachers and administrators as well as the rostering and accessibility for all student and teacher accounts for more than twelve district-wide instructional programs, including Schoology, Read 180/System 44, CAI programs in 4K-8 grade, digital credit recovery programs for high school, digital subscriptions to 35 textbooks, as well as the additional digital resources for teachers that will be purchased through ESSER 2 funding. In addition, they provide onsite professional development for the implementation of instructional technology for the purposes of teaching and learning.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the hire of a curriculum technology specialist using ESSER II funds and evaluate the use of general funds at the end of two years.

### **ATTACHMENT:**

Curriculum Technology Specialist Job Description

### **PREPARED BY:**

Jeanie Glover  
Micki Dove