



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 9.5

Meeting Date: November 2, 2023

Subject: California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Multi-School Agreement Discontinuation

X Information Item Only

- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Division: Academic Office

Recommendation: NA

Background/Rationale: The Multi School agreement is an annually signed agreement that affords students the opportunity to play CIF sports at the comprehensive high school in their attendance area. This practice is allowed by [CIF-SJS Bylaw 303](#). SCUSD has entered the agreement since the 2010-2011 school year. Recent data indicate that a very small number of SCUSD students from small high schools participate in CIF sports at comprehensive high schools. The low participation coupled with CIF rules puts comprehensive high school sports programs at a severe disadvantage.

CIF uses school enrollment to determine the size of school and division of play. CIF attempts to match schools of similar enrollment to ensure a competitive balance throughout high school sports. Due to the Multi School Agreement, the comprehensive high schools must add to their population all of the students that reside in their attendance area who attend the small high schools. As a result, four of the five comprehensive schools are moved to higher competitive divisions without the benefit of the additional population of athletes.

Discontinuation of the multi school agreement will prevent new small school students from participating in CIF sports. Any student that is currently participating under the

current agreement will be allowed to finish their high school career in that sport. However, there are several potential options for small high school students interested in playing on sports teams. This includes continuing the existing intramural program and, potentially, expanding upon it. Small High Schools may also opt to become CIF schools.

Financial Considerations:

Current CIF dues for small school students: CIF-State \$1,376, CIF-Sac Joaquin Section \$6,392 - Total Savings \$7,768

The fiscal impact of expanding intramural sports is approximately \$3000 per sport. The fiscal impact of adding sports for CIF is about \$6,000 per refereed sports and about \$3000 for non-officiated sports such as cross-country. There is an offset of expenses as admission is charged for CIF sporting events, so some sports produce revenue for the school sites.

LCAP Goal(s):

Goal 2: Foundational Educational Experience with Equitable Opportunities for ALL students

Documents Attached: N/A

Estimated Time of Presentation: 5 minutes

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