



**Health & Human Services  
Agency  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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**AGENDA DATE:** December 18, 2018 REVISED

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
County Counsel Sign-Off	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**SUBJECT:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Tulare Health & Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services Division and the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools to coordinate services and improve communication with children in foster care effective December 18, 2018 through June 30, 2021 in the amount of zero dollars; and
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign two (2) copies of the Memorandum of Understanding.

**SUMMARY:**  
Assembly Bill (AB) 490 went into effect on January 2004. AB 490 created new rights and duties related to the education of dependents in foster care. Later laws proceeded to expand these requirements, including Assembly Bill (AB) 81 (2009), AB 12 (2010), AB 1933 (2010), AB 1878 (2014), Senate Bill 1353 (2010), the federal Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008, and the federal Uninterrupted Scholars Act of 2013. With the inception of these laws both Child Welfare Services (CWS) and schools have made great strides in working together to ensure academic success for foster youth.

Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency's (HHSA), CWS Division is proposing to partner with the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools by

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establishing an Intern Education Case Manager Program to provide school linked child welfare services to improve the education, mental health, and social outcomes of foster children. The Intern Education Case Manager Program is designed to increase communication between CWS and schools to address issues such as behavior difficulties, attendance, social skills, placement stability, and academic success. The Intern Education Case Manager will be a Title IV-E Program CWS student intern and placed at a school designated by the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools.

A Title IV-E student intern is a part-time student and a full-time CWS Social Services Worker III employee, currently employed with the County, who is seeking hours for a degree in social work. CWS is encouraged to designate projects that provide exposure to particular functions and/or programs in an innovative approach for the Title IV-E student intern to gain work experience within the Tulare County HHSA's, CWS Division, Social Work Intern Program.

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been approved as to form by County Counsel. The following terms deviate substantively from standard County boilerplate: (1) This MOU has a term of multiple years commencing upon signature through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021; and (2) Either party may terminate without cause with 30 days written notice.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

There are no dollars associated with this MOU, therefore there is no additional net County cost to the General Fund.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life Initiative that will support academic success for foster youth. This MOU will encourage and support an innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk youth and children enrolled in a Tulare County Superintendent of Schools District. The quality of life for these at-risk youth and children will be improved with the support of academic assistance to succeed in school.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**



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Juliet Webb  
Director of Human Services

cc: County Administrative Office

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Attachment(s) Memorandum of Understanding

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE A )  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ) Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
WITH THE TULARE COUNTY ) Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

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