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ESSENCE PREP MOU

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BACKGROUND

- In 2018, Pre-K 4 SA signed its first enrollment MOU with a public charter school (New Frontiers)
- Pre-K 4 SA became an in-district charter school for Edgewood ISD by establishing an 1882 partnership.
- Charter schools serve almost 10% of the families enrolled in public schools in Bexar County
- Reaching all 25,000 4-year-olds means partnering with ISDs and charter schools

POTENTIAL PARTNER



- Through rigorous academics, intentional character development, and cultivating student knowledge of self, prepares all kindergarten through eighth grade students for high school, college, and beyond as leading agents of change in their communities.
- Opening in East San Antonio
- Pre-K children would be served at Pre-K 4 SA sites.

NEXT STEPS



- Worked with CAO to revise existing MOU
 - No changes to terms, updated terminology
- Staff requesting Board approval of MOU partnership with Essence Preparatory Public Schools
- Approval contingent on approval by Essence Prep Board
- If approved, will continue to meet with Essence Prep team
 - Tuition/scholarship students convert to ISD
 - Operations and logistics coordination continue

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Board approve the MOU between Pre-K 4 SA and Essence Prep Public Schools establishing Essence Prep as a formal partner of the program.

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QUESTIONS?