

CHRONOLOGY OF THE AGENDA ITEM

Board Agenda Item Title: Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Acceleration Academies and the DeKalb County School District (Not to exceed \$3,000,000)

Background/Details

The DeKalb County School District (DCSD) began an official partnership with the Acceleration Academies through the Memorandum of Agreement approved by the Board of Education on Monday, July 8, 2024, for the period of July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025, with **two** additional one-year renewal terms.

Currently, the DeKalb Acceleration Academies serves 180 graduation candidates. At this time, **1523** courses have been completed, and **761.5** Carnegie units have been earned by graduation candidates.

Contract Term

The new MOU is effective July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000. This is year 2 of 2 one-year renewal options.

Students enrolled during the state count period will generate per pupil funding. For every eligible student enrolled in the program 15 days or more, **DeKalb Acceleration Academies** will bill DCSD a base of \$600 per month for each student plus applicable supplemental funding for special education and ESOL services. For every eligible student enrolled in the program less than 15 days, **DeKalb Acceleration Academies** will bill the DCSD a daily rate of \$20 per day for each student plus applicable prorated supplemental funding for special education and ESOL services.

Scope

DeKalb Acceleration Academies will operate a physical academy site in Tucker, Georgia and three satellite sites (hubs) to serve students 16-21 years of age. These students will be identified via recruitment efforts of currently withdrawn students as well as direct referrals of active but credit deficient, at-risk students by their principals or counselors.