

## Recommendation

Dr Hillary Boutwell, Director of Accountability and Exceptional Children Programs recommends the Board of Education receive for information the contracts for nursing services with Bayada Home Health Agency, Maxim Healthcare Services, Amergis Healthcare Staffing, and Thrive Skilled/Aveanna for Exceptional Children's department. These nurses are needed to provide skilled nursing support to individual students with exceptional needs as prescribed by Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). As well as contracts for Related Services (Speech Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, and Physical Therapists.)

## Quick Summary / Abstract

The Exceptional Children's Program is responsible for the provision of related services identified in a student's individual education program (IEP). Nursing services are a related service for students with specific needs such as doctor ordered care for seizures, tracheostomy care, low oxygen levels, physical impairments, etc. We currently have nine students that require the care of a registered nurse/licensed practitioner in the event that they attend school. The estimated salary cost for contract nursing for the 2026-2027 school year would be \$732,600. The estimated salary cost for Related Services is \$2,320,898.20.

The necessary costs for Nursing Staff and Related Services are subject to change based on student need.

Special State Reserve funds can be requested to recover nursing contract services. However, funds are dependent upon state approval and disbursement of funding.

## Contract Nursing

Company	Position	Amount
Bayada	RN (1)	\$92,796
Thrive/Aveanna	RN (2)	\$175,824
Maxim	LPN/RN (1)	\$92,796
Amergis	RN/LPN (3)	\$278,388
IntelliChoice	RN (1)	\$92,9676
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$732,600</b> (not to exceed \$734,000)

## Contract Related Services

Company	Position	Amount
Kinetic	SLP (7), SLP (1 part-time), SLPAssitant (2)	\$772,482.20
		\$72,630
		\$163,059
		\$1,008,171.20
		<b>(not to exceed \$1,009,000)</b>

Soliant	SLP Assistant (1)	\$90,909 (not to exceed \$91,000)
EPIC/Travel Therapy	SLP (1)	\$118,326 (not to exceed \$119,000)
Sunbelt Staffing	SLP (3)	SLP: \$334,554 (not to exceed \$340,000)
OakTree	SLP	\$115,440 (not to exceed \$117,000)
AMN	SLP (2)	\$233,766 (not to exceed \$235,000)
Amergis	3 Virtual Teacher	\$304,732 (not to exceed \$306,000)
Invision Services	Vision Impaired (part-time) Hearing Impaired (part-time) Orientation and Mobility (part-time)	\$115,000 (not to exceed \$306,000)
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,320,898.20</b> (not to exceed \$2,322,000)