

## **Memorandum**

FROM: Michael Thorpe, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

TO: Dr. Karen Barber, Superintendent of Schools, Board Members

DATE: March 25, 2021

RE: Summer Session

The Department of Education continues to require students to pass the Algebra 1 End of Course assessment for graduation purposes. We have a number of SRC Students who have not passed their Algebra 1 End of Course assessment and will need remediation to help move them to a level of satisfactory. Once a student demonstrates a satisfactory level (by passing the EOC), they are no longer required to participate in any math remediation effort. Based upon our current six period day schedule, many students are finding it difficult to complete their remediation efforts and their regular core course requirements. Therefore, we would like to continue to offer the Algebra 1 EOC remediation class at all our high school locations during the Summer Session. It is important to note, that FLDOE has recently approved that students who have not received a passing score on Algebra 1 End of Course assessment can also meet this specific required graduation requirement by making a passing score on the Geometry End of Course assessment or by earning the required concordant score in one of the following assessments, PSAT, SAT, ACT and PERT(Seniors Only) . Please consider approving the following funding to support this much needed Summer Session.

### **Algebra I Remediation & Geometry Remediation**

All high school students are required to take the Algebra 1 End of Course assessment with it counting 30% of their final grade in the Algebra 1 course. In addition, these students are required to pass this EOC for graduation purposes. If these students are not successful by their graduation date, they will receive a certificate of completion. I am proposing we provide the remediation course work in the Summer Session, thereby, preparing students to take the Algebra I EOC as well as those students who are eligible to take the Geometry EOC to help meet graduation requirement. If they are successful on these EOC's, they will be prepared to maintain the appropriate math sequence for the following school year and most importantly meet the mandatory Algebra 1 EOC graduation requirement. Fourteen certified mathematics teachers will be employed to provide this mathematics instruction at our high schools.

Funding needed:

Certified math teachers (9-12) 17 days @ 4hrs/day=68 hours (8:30-12:30)

(2 certified math teachers at each school) Classes begin June 16 and extends to July 21 (4 weeks) M-Thur.

July 5- July 9 (no classes will be scheduled)

Algebra 1 EOC/Geometry EOC/ Testing Window July 12 – July 23\*\*could be extended

Estimated Cost- \$60,000

### **Course/Credit Recovery**

We plan to offer course/credit recovery opportunities for all secondary schools (middle & high). Middle schools will be consolidated and those students participating in course/credit recovery will be required to attend at their zoned feeder pattern high school. We will utilize the Edgenuity Learning Program at each of these school sites. A paraprofessional will be employed to facilitate each school lab. All Edgenuity Learning recovery coursework must be completed by July 27

Funding needed:

Paraprofessional/Teacher Assistant	20 days @ 6hrs/day=120 hours ( <b>High School</b> )
(1 paraprofessional at each school)	6 high schools Labs open June 16-July 27 (5 wks.) M- Thurs.
	Time (8:30-12:30/1:30-3:30) (Labs closed July 5- July 9)
	16-days @ 4 hrs/day=64 hours ( <b>Middle School</b> )
	Labs open June 16 -July 20 (Labs closed July 5-July 9) M- Thurs.
	7 middle schools
	Total of 13 paraprofessionals <u>Estimated Cost- \$30,000</u>

### **Middle School Acceleration**

Advanced students will complete summer coursework for standards they will be skipping when they accelerate the following school year. (For example, 6<sup>th</sup> grade Adv. Students will take coursework regarding 7<sup>th</sup> grade advanced standards before accelerating into Algebra 1 in 7<sup>th</sup> grade.) We plan to offer opportunities for students to ask questions regarding their coursework at seven district middle schools and two combination schools. A teacher will be employed once a week to assist students who are completing summer coursework. All acceleration coursework must be completed by July 20th.

Funding needed:

Teacher 5 days @ 4hrs/day=20 hours (**Middle School**)

(1 teacher at each school) 7 middle schools/2 combination schools Labs open June 16-July 20

(5 wks.) M- Thurs.

Time (8:30-12:30) (Labs closed July 5- July 9)

Total of 9 teachers-Estimated Cost- \$7,000

### **Graduation Credit Completion through Santa Rosa Adult**

Our Student Progression Plan allows seniors, who have completed all but two credits of their graduation requirements, to participate in their commencement exercises. However, these students are expected to complete these remaining credits in the summer immediately following their senior year. We would like to continue to offer this course work on our Santa Rosa Adult School campus (Milton) and on a south end campus. All coursework needs to be completed by June 30th.

Estimated Cost- \$13,000

### **Guidance Assessment Assistants or School Counselors to administer EOC make-ups**

We will need one guidance assessment assistant or a school counselor (based on availability) at each school to serve as EOC assessment administration coordinator. The following dates have been tentatively set for the make-up EOCs.

Algebra 1 EOC/Geometry EOC/ Testing Window July 12 – July 23 \*\*could be extended

Funding needed: 1 guidance assessment assistant/counselor at each high school (6 hours/day for 2 days= 12 hours)

Estimated Cost- \$7,000

### **Transportation**

It is our desire to provide every student, if possible, the opportunity to participate in our Summer Session. Many students will not have this opportunity unless transportation is provided to some extent. It is our intent to provide a limited number of centralized pick-up/drop-off locations within the designated bus routes for a particular school. We anticipate the use of 8-10 buses during the Summer Session.

Estimated Cost- \$23,500

<b><u>Algebra I Remediation-</u></b>	<b><u>60,000</u></b>
<b><u>Course/Credit Recovery-</u></b>	<b><u>30,000</u></b>
<b><u>Middle School Acceleration-</u></b>	<b><u>7,000</u></b>
<b><u>Santa Rosa Adult-</u></b>	<b><u>13,000</u></b>
<b><u>School Counselors-</u></b>	<b><u>7,000</u></b>
<b><u>Transportation-</u></b>	<b><u>23,500</u></b>

**Total estimated cost for the Summer Session \$140,500**

Your consideration/approval of this request would be greatly appreciated.

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