

LAKE HAVASU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: APPROVAL OF FREE CAPTURING KIDS HEARTS TRAINING FROM THE FLIPPEN GROUP

SUBMITTED BY: Mari Jo Mulligan, Principal, Thunderbolt Middle School

DATE FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: February 21, 2017

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Governing Board approve the Capturing Kids Hearts (CKH) training on May 31- June 1, 2017, provided by The Flippen Group, for up to 60 Lake Havasu Unified School District #1 staff members. This free Capturing Kids' Hearts training was received as part of Thunderbolt's National Showcase School award and is valued at \$25,000.00. This training will focus on new staff members at our CKH schools who have not yet received training, to ensure fidelity in implementation. Our CKH schools are Thunderbolt, Oro Grande, Smoketree, Starline, Jamaica, and Nautilus.

RATIONALE:

The purpose for securing the services of the Flippen Group and the Capturing Kids Hearts process is to provide the participants proven, repeatable skills that help:

- Develop safe, trusting, self-managing classrooms
- Improve classroom attendance by building students' motivation and helping them take responsibility for their actions and performance
- Decrease delinquent behaviors such as disruptive outbursts, violent acts, drug use and other risky behaviors
- Reinforce the role of emotional intelligence in teaching
- Develop students' empathy for diverse cultures and backgrounds

Capturing Kids' Hearts is meant for all faculty, staff, and campus-level administrators. It is the core of a powerful process that allows every member of the school family to foster and become part of a high-performing, learning community. Capturing Kids' Hearts is a dynamic, skill-driven, participatory experience. It is not a theoretical or motivational lecture, but the beginning of an important transformational process. Teachers, staff, and administrators learn and practice skills they will use and model in their schools.

Truly remarkable outcomes are possible in a classroom where trust, respect, and caring relationships flourish. But creating such an environment is a tremendous challenge. Capturing Kids' Hearts provides tools for staff to build positive, productive, trusting relationships among themselves and with their students. These processes can transform the classroom and campus environment, paving the way for high performance academically, behaviorally and emotionally.

This training will be provided at no cost to the district.

Approved for Transmittal to Governing Board


Superintendent