# DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES Township of Union Public Schools M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

TO:

Pat Ditri

FROM:

Jason Killian

RE:

Board Agenda

DATE:

08-07-2013

The committee recommends and I so move that the board approve the elimination of In-class, replacement programs (grade 5) at Connecticut Farms Elementary School effective September 9, 2013 in accordance with the information in the hands of each board member.

# New Jersey State Department of Education Union County Office of Education

## Request to Establish or Eliminate a Special Education Program or Service

Complete <b>both</b> sides of this form and send approval	to the county office of education for review and
District: Township of Union School: Conn	ecticut Farms Elem. School Date: 8/7/2013
Check One:	⊠ Eliminate a Program/Service
Check Type of Program: Preschool/Elementary Resource Program:	Secondary Resource Program <sup>1</sup> :
<ul> <li>□ Pull/out, support</li> <li>□ Pull/out, replacement</li> <li>□ In-class, support</li> <li>☑ In-class, replacement</li> <li>□ Team Teaching Model</li> </ul>	Pull/out, support Pull/out, replacement In-class, support In-class, replacement
Elementary Special Class Program:  Auditory Impairments  Autism  Behavioral Disabilities  Cognitive Impairments, mild  Cognitive Impairments, moderate  Cognitive Impairments, severe  Learning/ Language Disabilities, mild/moderate  Learning/ Language Disabilities, severe  Multiple Disabilities  Preschool Disabilities  Visual Impairments  Extended School Year Program	Secondary Special Class Program <sup>2</sup> :  Auditory Impairments  Autism  Behavioral Disabilities  Cognitive Impairments, mild  Cognitive Impairments, moderate  Cognitive Impairments, severe  Learning/ Language Disabilities  mild/moderate  Learning/ Language Disabilities,  severe  Multiple Disabilities  Visual Impairments  Secondary Special Class (taught by regular education teacher)
Other program/service, please specify:	

<u>Note:</u> Each newly proposed resource program, special class program and service must be located in a space that has been approved by the County Superintendent of Schools. Forms for substandard use are available in the county office. Facility approval must be obtained before approval of the request to establish a new program can be granted.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Secondary resource programs are located in schools that contain any combination of grades 6 through 12, where the organizational structure is departmentalized for general education students.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Secondary special class programs are located in schools that contain any combination of grades 6 through 12, where the organizational structure is departmentalized for general education students.

On a separate page, describe your request based on the following corresponding criteria/questions.

#### To Establish a New Program/Service

- 1. Document the unmet student needs that will be addressed by the proposed program.
- 2. Describe the proposed program and explain how it will meet student needs:
  - a. Identify the age range and number of students to be served.
  - b. How will the Core Curriculum Content Standards be addressed?
  - c. How does this program address least restrictive environment?
  - d. What opportunities will be available for interaction with non-disabled peers?
  - e. State the number of professional and paraprofessional staff. For paraprofessional staff submit the locally developed job description and standards for approval (N.J.A.C. 6:11-4.6(c).

### To Eliminate a Program/Service

- 1. Provide a rationale for eliminating the program/service.
- 2. If the elimination of the special education program/service will result in a change to one or more students' current IEP(s), describe how the students' needs will be met.

\* I assure that the attached proposal to establish a new program/service is in accordance with New Jersey Administrative Code (N.J.A.C.) 6A:14, Special Education and N.J.A.C. 6A:26, Educational Facilities. (Attach the Board Resolution approving the establishment of the new program.) Signed: (Chief School Administrator) **Board Approval Date:** \* I assure that any change in a student's program/placement necessitated by eliminating the special education program/service described in the attached proposal will be implemented in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14, Special Education. (Attach the Board Resolution approving the elimination of the program/service.) Signed: (Chief School Administrator) **Board Approval Date:** Approved Denied Signed: (County Supervisor of Child Study)

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# Connecticut Farms Elementary School (Documentation to Eliminate a Program)

1) The Township of Union Public Schools is requesting the elimination of In-class, replacement program
(grade 5) at Connecticut Farms Elementary School. This school no longer houses grade 5, and students will be returning to the remodeled Jefferson School.

2) This program elimination will not result in changes to students' IEPs.