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

TO:

Greg Tatum

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Julia Vicidomini; Diane Cappiello

FROM:

Joseph Seugling

RE:

Board Agenda

DATE:

2016-10-04

The committee recommends and I so move that the board approve the following:

Approval for the district to accept the Union County NJ CAP Grant for the 2016-2017 school year. This grant will provide "schools and communities with information and resources to reduce children's vulnerability to assault and bullying." Students enrolled in the Kindergarten, Fifth, and Ninth grades will receive services from this grant.

Acceptance of the grant requires that the original grant proposal be modified for the Ninth grade without reducing the number of students to receive services. The number of training sessions for students in the Ninth grade was reduced from 25 to 13, resulting in a lower cost to the district. The number of students in each session has been increased to ensure that all students in the Ninth grade receive training in the NJ CAP program.



NJ CAP (New Jersey Child Assault Prevention) Helping Children to be "Safe, Strong and Free"

Union Township School District

I am happy to inform you that the **NJ Child Assault Prevention Grant,** which your superintendent applied for, has been approved. The NJ CAP program focuses on the safety of your students. We look forward in having your schools participate in this program. The workshop empowers and teaches children how to deal with Bullying, Assault by Strangers and Assault by a Known Adult.

The CAP project aims to prevent child assault by teaching children to recognize and deal with potentially dangerous situations, and by training teachers and parents to help prevent the victimization of children. The program has three components: a parent program, a teacher/staff in-service, and individual classroom workshops.

The workshop combines guided group discussion with a series of roleplays focusing on situations children frequently encounter: a child-tochild assault; adult stranger-to-child assault; and an assault involving an
adult the child knows. Discussion helps children identify what options
they have to protect themselves. The strategies we focus on are selfassertion, peer support, and telling a trusted adult. The success of the
CAP project depends on the support of the community.

I look forward in being able to work with you and your staff to help children be: "Safe, Strong and Free" Please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience to discuss the scheduling of the workshops.

Sincerely,

Araceli Galvis

Union County CAP Coordinator

Union Twp NJ CAP Teen Workshop (High School 9th Graders)

Teen Classes#: 13 + 2 Adult Workshops

Total Amount: \$2,819

District Contribution 30%: \$846

Union County CAP Fund: \$1,973.00