## Exhibit A

## Memorandum of Understanding

The Seguin Independent School District (SISD) will apply for the federal 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) grant program through the Texas Education Agency (TEA) by the grant submittal deadline of January 21, 2021. The CCLC program is authorized by Title IV, Part B of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015. The program provides opportunities for communities to establish or expand activities that provide students attending low performing schools with access to academic enrichment and other activities that are specifically designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program to help students meet the challenging state academic standards. The program provides families of participating students with active and meaningful engagement in their children's education as well as opportunities for adult literacy. The goal is to provide this program at SISD's seven elementary and two middle school campuses.

Upon receiving the requested funds (if awarded), SISD will enter a collaborative partnership with the City of Seguin to support the creation and implementation of community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities to high priority targeted students during non-school hours. This partnership was agreed upon as written in the approved Agreement Between The City Of Seguin And The Seguin Independent School District 2020-2021 executed on July 8, 2020. This partnership will benefit the Seguin Afterschool Centers on Education (ACE) program by expanding capacity to provide enrichment activities that are evidence based and aligned with academic goals and standards and by engaging with community organizations toward program sustainability. The partnership will provide training and learning opportunities for City of Seguin staff and will assist them to expand their capacity to work with Seguin youth in community based out of school programs such as the Jammin' Afterschool Adventures for Me (JAAM).

The framework of the partnership is as follows:

SISD, Seguin ACE Staff agree to:

- Implement and administer the Texas Afterschool Centers on Education program within the state and federal guidelines outlined in the grant program.
- Implement the Seguin ACE program at the district's seven elementary schools and two middle schools.
- Provide space for program activities.
- Provide space for curriculum material and supplies.
- Provide administrative oversight to all program sites.
- Provide performance reports and data to community partners, community advisory council and campus staff for evaluation and feedback and provide ongoing communication regarding program quality.
- · Coordinate and Chair the Community Advisory Committee to the Seguin ACE program that will meet at least quarterly
- Provide program supplies and materials to families.
- Collaborate with Texas Lutheran University (TLU) to establish mutually beneficial opportunities for ACE students and TLU students.
- Continue to support the JAAM program as approved in the Agreement Between The City Of Seguin And The Seguin Independent School District 2020-2021 by providing acceptable space for program activities.

The City of Seguin agrees to:

- Provide two part-time staff per elementary site for 1.25 hours per day to plan and implement CATCH Kids Club activities and lessons.
- Provide a part-time staff liaison to the SISD site coordinators to collaborate on schedules and planning with reference to daily delivery of the CATCH activities and lessons.
- Designate a representative to attend and provide input at quarterly Community Advisory Meetings.
- Collaborate with Seguin ACE to review program data and complete program fidelity checks.

Estimated City Budget:Staffing\$65,786Supplies1,714Curriculum & Planning Oversight/Compliance6,500Total\$74,000

Upon notification of the grant award by the Texas Education Agency for Cycle 11 of the Texas 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Grant Program, the City of Seguin and SISD will enter into a formal agreement that would be approved by the Seguin City Council and the SISD Board of Trustees. The agreement would formally outline the partnership for the 2021/2022 school year regarding duties and responsibilities.

Dr. Matthew Gutierrez, Superintendent Seguin ISD

1-20-2021

Date

Steve Parker, City Manager City of Seguin

1-13-2021

Date