C.4 Instructional Resources

Curriculum

All curriculum (new and used) for courses will be purchased and/or acquired by July, 2012. Used curriculum will be donated from the private Scottsdale Country Day School which will file for a change of status to a charter school. Status change will be complete by May 2012 as SCDS readies itself to be a charter school. Business as a private school entity will cease at this time. Any and all curriculum acquired from the private SCDS will be cost free to the charter school as it will be a donation. New curriculum will use purchase orders from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishers. The estimated cost of curriculum will be $21,000 for year one, $15,000 for year two, and $15,000 for year 3. This includes textbooks of curriculum as well as online access to curriculum.

Furniture and equipment

Furniture/equipment for instruction such as tables, desks, and chairs and televisions/dvd players will be donated from the private Scottsdale Country Day School. A $1000 amount has been budgeted in year 1 in case any furniture or equipment needs updating/replacing. A photocopying machine will be leased by SCDS at $400 per month.

Assessment materials

AZELLA/AIMS testing materials will be ordered at no cost. As stated in the performance management plan, materials, easyCMB assessments, Teach for Success materials, DIBELS-6 materials, IXLmath online resources, and Stanford 10 test preparation materials will be purchased for approximately $8,000 in year 1 and will be used for monitoring student progress and intervention. This amount is included in the Instructional Supplies budget line of the 3 year operational budget.

Instructional Supplies

The budgeted amount is $16,000 for year 1 for teacher supplemental materials, 2 SmartBoards, assessment materials, decorative materials, and manipulatives needed to sufficiently prepare the classrooms for instruction.

Student Technology

Technology will aid students in developing learning skills, such as thinking, problem-solving, information, and communication skills. Interpersonal and self-directional skills also play an important role with technology based learning. SCDS will utilize the technology lab on campus for the first year of operation. This lab consists of 20 computers and desks. These computers and desks will be donated by the private SCDS. The private SCDS will also donate 20 laptops to the charter SCDS. Additional technology such as iPads, laptops, and projectors will be purchased for year 1 at $10,000 to help infuse technology into the classroom. $10,000 for year 2 and $12,000 for year 3 as student enrollment increases.

Staff Technology

A $6,000 budget for purchasing technology equipment for year 1 will cover the purchase of staff laptops and 3 projectors which will enhance and allow for the infusion of technology within the classroom.

Special Education

Special education costs are projected for 10% of the SCDS students. Contracted service providers will be paid on a monthly basis. The cost is estimated at $22,150 for year 1 for school psychologist, assistance with transitional plans, occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech therapy. An annual increase is accounted for as the overall number of SPED students increase.

Library Resources/Software:

This line item covers the purchase of library and software resources such as maps, reference materials, etc. An amount of $2,500 is allocated in the budget for year 1.