

Date: June 16, 2020 To: Navigator Schools Board From: Ami Ortiz, Director of Business & Finance Subject: FEMA Application

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve a FEMA application to cover Covid-19 related costs.

Background

In accordance with section 502 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"), eligible emergency protective measures taken to respond to the COVID-19 emergency at the direction or guidance of public health officials may be reimbursed under Category B of FEMA's Public Assistance program.

Under the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration described above, FEMA may provide assistance for emergency protective measures including, but not limited to, the following:

- Subscription costs for online learning platforms
- Chromebooks and hotspots that were purchased
- Cleaning supplies
- Headsets for teacher computers with microphones
- Covering internet and phones for staff to work from home
- Legal costs
- Substitute teachers you have had to bring on staff due to absences from COVID

Summary

Due to the increased costs of operating school during Covid-19, it is recommended that Navigator Schools apply for FEMA Public Assistance to offset the decreased revenues and increased expenditures.