

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT- PARTNERSHIP FOR ATTENDANCE INTERVENTION REFERRAL PROGRAMMING

This Memorandum of Agreement is between the **West Lafayette Community School Corporation** and the Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners with respect to the Tippecanoe County Juvenile Alternatives, Attendance Intervention Program.

1. Purpose

West Lafayette Community School Corporation and Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners agree to support the Tippecanoe County Juvenile Alternatives, Attendance Intervention Referral Program. Attendance Intervention Programming serves more than 300 families from Tippecanoe County School Corporation, Lafayette School Corporation, and/or West Lafayette Community School Corporation. Many students in Tippecanoe County are at risk of their educational process being disrupted because of attendance issues.

Attendance Intervention is a program designed to have a significant impact on preventing ongoing truancy and the goal is to divert delinquency filing in Tippecanoe County. The belief being, truant behavior often precipitates and precedes criminal activity. Attendance Intervention Referrals encompasses the entire family by identifying family needs, service availability and encourages families to take advantage of community resources. Youth are encouraged to utilize preventative measures/community resources to avert future delinquency and academic disruptions.

2. Funding

(a) **West Lafayette Community School Corporation** agrees to provide **\$2,040.00** from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 toward program costs.

3. Administration

The County Board of Commissioners with respect to the Juvenile Alternatives Program agrees to hire, supervise, support staff for the Attendance Intervention Referral Program, including but not limited to: Coordinator, Assistant, and other staff as needed.

(a) Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners with respect to the Juvenile Alternatives Program agrees to provide the program management for Attendance Interventions.

(b) Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners with respect to the Juvenile Alternatives Program agrees to provide **West Lafayette Community School Corporation** with annual statistical information regarding attendance interventions.

(c) **West Lafayette Community School Corporation** agrees to contribute expertise and support toward the creation and establishment of attendance criteria/guidelines as needed.

4. Payment

Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners with respect to the Juvenile Alternatives Program agrees to submit a claim form to **West Lafayette Community School Corporation** for reimbursement of funds that is expended toward program costs.

5. Terms of Agreement

This agreement shall commence on the date July 1, 2022 for the school year 2022-2023 and end on June 30, 2023.

6. Evaluation

(a) At the conclusion of the school year, Juvenile Alternatives will provide an annual report as to the degree interventions has impacted mediation of attendance issues. The intent of the report will be to determine whether or not appropriate services are being provided on a timely basis.

(b) The key questions to be addressed by Juvenile Alternatives will be:

Has attendance interventions provided opportunities for children that have resulted in:

- 1) Prevention or reduction of the number of children becoming formally involved with the Department of child Services or the Local Probation Office.
- 2) Improvement of school attendance.

(c) Upon completion of the evaluation, Juvenile Alternatives will submit a written report to the Superintendent of **West Lafayette Community School Corporation**.

The parties hereby accept the terms of this agreement by their authorized signatures below.

The Board of Commissioners of Tippecanoe County:

By: _____
David Byers, President

Date: _____

By: _____
Tracy Brown, Vice President

Date: _____

By: _____
Thomas Murtaugh, Member

Date: _____

Attest: _____
Robert Plantenga, County Auditor

The parties hereby accept the terms of this agreement by their authorized signatures below.

West Lafayette Community School Corporation

By: _____
(President)

Date: _____

By: _____
(Secretary)

Date: _____