



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-2151, **Agenda Item #:** 176.

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Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the Del Valle Independent School District for the district's participation in the Library Cards for All Students Program, which will allow the Austin Public Library to offer a full purpose Student Library Card to all students enrolled in the Del Valle Independent School District.

Lead Department

Austin Public Library.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Austin Public Library (APL) and the Del Valle Independent School District (DVISD) have the shared goal of removing barriers and closing the opportunity gap by providing students easy access and use of the Austin Public Library system through the Library Cards for All Students Program.

Through this interlocal agreement, a DVISD student's parent or legal guardian, through DVISD's online registration process, will be able to request a student library card for their child. In addition, the parent or legal guardian would give permission for DVISD to share information that APL needs to issue a student library card.

This program will offer students, who may be otherwise unaware of or unable to access, free access to the valuable resources of the Austin Public Library system. The student card offers full library privileges, including access to the Library's physical and virtual materials. Students and their families may also request reference and research assistance from APL staff by phone, live chat, text, or in-person during all of our operating hours.

This RCA will authorize the negotiation and execution of the interlocal agreement for the period July 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020. City staff will negotiate and execute an agreement with DVISD that will outline the terms and conditions of the proposed arrangement. Council approved a similar interlocal agreement between the Austin Public Library and the Austin Independent School District to provide student library cards to AISD students on November 29, 2018.

APL's goal is to give student library cards to every student in school districts with Austin addresses.