



## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Satpal Sidhu, County Executive  
**FROM:** Erika Lautenbach, Director  
**RE:** Bellingham School District #501 – COVID-related Support Contract  
**DATE:** November 12, 2020

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Attached is a contract between Whatcom County and Bellingham School District #501 for your review and signature.

- **Background and Purpose**

This contract is in response to a notification from Whatcom County Health Department to Whatcom County School Districts of federal grant funding available to help mitigate the impacts of COVID-19. Each district has worked with Health to specify COVID-related expenditure reimbursement needs. The purpose of this contract to provide reimbursement of necessary technology expenditures incurred as a response to COVID-19. Each district requires their individual school board's approval and Council review of each of these contracts may occur on different dates.

- **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this contract may not exceed \$499,185. Funds under the contract are made available by a grant awarded by the US Department of Treasury and subject to Section 601(a) of the Social Security Act, as amended by section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security act (CARES Act), and Title V and VI of the CARES Act, passed through the Washington State Department of Health Emergency Preparedness & Response COVID-19 Local CARES Grant (CFDA 21.019). Council approval is required per RCW 39.34.030(2) for agreements between public agencies.

Please contact Kathleen Roy at extension #6007 if you have any questions regarding this agreement.

Encl.

