

AMEND BOARD REPORT 13-1120-ED3
**APPROVE TUITION PAYMENTS TO NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY FOR COURSEWORK
LEADING TO ESL AND/OR BILINGUAL ENDORSEMENTS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:


Approve tuition payments to Northeastern Illinois University for ESL and bilingual coursework at a cost not to exceed ~~\$354,000~~ \$554,000 in ~~eighteen (18)~~ thirty (30) months for all participating universities. Northeastern IL University is one of three universities participating in this program that were selected based on the quality of the coursework described in their proposals and the cost effectiveness of the partnership. Each university is giving a discount with the remainder split between the Board of

Education and the university provider. The other participating universities, National-Louis University and Concordia University, are authorized under separate Board Reports. No Written agreement is required for tuition payments. Information pertinent to this program is stated below:

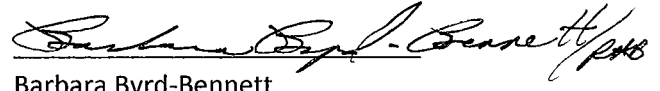
child has access to high quality teaching and learning in alignment with the Common Core State Standards. All teachers who enroll in these courses will benefit by having opportunities to become expert in using instructional strategies and providing support to ELs, thus ensuring that they gain access to rigorous content and meet the ambitious new standards.

OUTCOMES: The ESL/Bilingual Endorsement Initiative Coursework program will result in an increased number of educated and properly endorsed teachers of ELs in our district. This creates increased

Approved for Consideration:


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Approved on behalf of _____ *nm*



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