

Southeast Tech

Partnership with the City of Sioux Falls Housing and the Home Builders Association of the Sioux Empire

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Purpose:

To provide the School Board with an update on the developing partnership between the City of Sioux Falls Housing Authority, the Home Builders Association of the Sioux Empire, and Southeast Tech.

Southeast Tech is working with the City of Sioux Falls Housing Authority and the Home Builders Association to develop a partnership to support the Construction Management academic program. At present Southeast Tech does not have the proper lab facilities to provide student instruction for its Construction Management Program. To ensure students are provided with a strong educational experience Southeast Tech is developing this partnership. The partnership would be for the Housing Authority to identify a residential property owned by the City of Sioux Falls that will be remodeled by students in the Construction Management program. The Home Builders Association will be assisting by providing equipment, supplies, and support during the construction process.

This educational model will allow students to truly have a hands-on learning experience by where they are integrated into the construction remodel of an actual home. Students are not only gaining the educational experience, but they are also developing work portfolio to be able to show an employer their skills and actual projects they were involved with.

The partnership is more than just providing students with a learning environment. It is also an example of how Southeast Tech, in partnership with local industry, give back to the community. The remodeling of these homes are providing residential housing for low income families and revitalizing our community.

Administrative Recommendation to School Board:

Acknowledge the Partnership Update Report and approve Southeast Tech to continue moving forward in the development of this partnership.