



WEST OSO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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September 10, 2020

Peter Zanoni, City Manager
City of Corpus Christi
1201 Leopard Street
Corpus Christi, TX 78401

Dear Mr. Zanoni,

With the large number of cases of COVID-19 in the nation, state and Corpus Christi, West Oso ISD academic instruction requires districts to provide remote learning for our students, West Oso ISD is currently participating in Texas Education Agency's Operation Connectivity which allows districts to purchase technology equipment at huge discounted pricing that will facilitate internet access and equipment accessibility to our students.

West Oso ISD Board Members have supported the district's administration recommendation to provide every student in our district a Chromebook for virtual (distance) learning. On April 29, 2020 the district ordered 200 Chromebooks to provide summer school students virtual learning opportunities. Also, the district utilizing TEA's Operation Connectivity Bulk Order Process purchased 200 more Chromebooks and 85 Hotspots to provide internet access for the 2020-2021 school year.

West Oso ISD's Administration is respectfully requesting that the City of Corpus Christi's Coronavirus Relief Fund (CFR) Local Match Reimbursement Program be utilized to offset the technology expenditures to our district. Texas Education Agency has committed to match the City's contribution to school districts on first come first served basis. West Oso ISD has purchased \$81,650 for Chromebooks and hotspots for district students virtual use. We respectfully request that the City of Corpus Christi provide CFR Grant funds to reimburse the district 25% of this amount (\$20,412). West Oso ISD continues to provide the best instructional and learning opportunities for all of our students, and greatly appreciates the support of you, your colleague, Heather Hurlbert, and the City Council to make this possible.

Sincerely,

David Palacios,
Assistant Superintendent of Business, Finance,
& School Operations

Conrado Garcia,
Superintendent