

BATH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

AGENDA ITEM: INFORMATION { } ACTION { X } CLOSED MEETING { }

SUBJECT: SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - ACTION

Project RETURN for SY2014-15 – Mr. Lancaster

BACKGROUND: Bath County Public Schools’ alternative education program, Project RETURN, has provided support for eighteen BCHS students this past year. The program provides nearly \$10,000 of hardware and software each year for students who need online coursework, whether for credit recovery or an extra course that may not have fit into their schedule, or to provide coursework in an alternate setting at school or home to accommodate medical & behavioral needs. Staff support is provided by a school counselor and computer lab manager for encouragement/assistance and to monitor student progress. Most students participate in the program in the school resource lab, though there are also students who access the internet-based software from home. We began using “GradPoint” online software this school year - a welcome upgrade to what we had used for several years. Project RETURN is one of the many important things we do to help students succeed in school.

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend continued participation in Project RETURN for the 2014-2015 school year.