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Original budget was based on seven students receiving nursing services performed by a LPN or RN (at a rate of \$36.90 and \$45.00/Hr, respectively) during transportation to and from school. By the end of the 2015-2016 school year, the district's need had increased to nine students, one of which required a nurse for the entire day (doubling the number of hours). As a result of the increase in district students' needs, the final expenditure to ATC for the 2015-2016 school year totaled \$255k, exceeding the original budget by \$120k.

Throughout the 2016-2017 school year, the number of students receiving nursing services through ATC has remained at the same level as the end of last year. In addition, a second student was identified as requiring a nurse for the entire day. Based on the average current cost of \$29k per month for ATC's nursing services, the anticipated expense through year-end is estimated to be \$145k.

In summary, the current cost to provide the medically required nursing care to our district students has continued to rise over prior year due to an increase in the number of students, the number of hours deemed necessary, as well as a rate increase of 5% and 7% for a LPN and RN, respectively.