

ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: December 16, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Purchase of Staff Computers

PRESENTER: Brooks Moore, Chief Technology Officer

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

 Per Board Policy CH (Local), any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place.

- The district has been evaluating solutions to replace aging staff computer devices and improve instructional and operational efficiency. Current staff devices are reaching the end of their usable lifecycle, resulting in increased maintenance needs, slower performance, and reduced compatibility with updated instructional and productivity tools. Additionally, the district's current staff devices are nearing the end of their three-year lease, which expires in May.
- Over the past several months, the district has piloted Chromebooks with selected staff groups across multiple campuses. The pilot focused on assessing:
 - Performance in daily instructional and administrative tasks
 - Compatibility with district-approved applications
 - User experience and workflow efficiency
 - Device management and support requirements
- Pilot participants have reported positive results, including improved device responsiveness, seamless integration with cloud-based tools, and a smooth transition to the new operating system. The district is currently preparing a comprehensive training plan to ensure staff are well-equipped to navigate and use the new operating system effectively. The use of Chromebooks instead of laptops will have a positive budget impact.
- The district remains sensitive to the fact that some positions rely on Windows-based applications to fulfill essential duties. To address this, the district is conducting an analysis to determine which staff members will require a Windows device moving forward. We intend to bring a proposal for your approval to the regular meeting on January 20, 2026.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Administration is soliciting proposals from approved vendors, including lease considerations. The total estimated cost is projected to be approximately \$800,000,

depending on vendor pricing, device quantities, and whether a leasing strategy is selected. The funding source for this purchase will be the general fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

None - Information only.