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2026–2027 E-Learning Program Plan Renewal and Public Hearing

Purpose

To present the Board of Education with an informational update regarding the renewal of the district's E-Learning Program Plan for the 2026-2027 school year, as the current three-year approval cycle is expiring under Section 10-20.56 of the Illinois School Code.

Background and Information

Under Section 10-20.56 of the Illinois School Code (105 ILCS 5/10-20.56), school districts may utilize e-learning days in lieu of emergency closure days, provided the district maintains an approved plan, holds a public hearing, and passes a formal resolution.

The current three-year approval cycle is concluding, Dr. Jeffrey Alstadt will present the plan tonight for initial discussion, leading toward formal action to set a public hearing at the October meeting.

Operational Overview

- The Board must fulfill statutory public notice requirements at least 10 days prior to the hearing via newspaper publication, direct parent communication, and employee/union notification.
- The district will host a public hearing at the October board meeting to gather community feedback on the 2026-2027 E-Learning Program Plan renewal.
- Following the public hearing in October, the Board will consider a formal resolution to adopt the plan for the upcoming three-year cycle.
- The comprehensive plan ensures continuity of instruction through digital tools and paper-pencil alternatives, accommodating all students, including special education and English language learners.

Administrative Recommendation

This item is provided for informational purposes and discussion tonight to prepare the Board of Education for formal action and hearing scheduling at the October meeting.