

NAVARRO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Subject: **Approve the purchase of 4 general education school buses from Longhorn Bus Sales**

Date: October 26, 2026

Administrator Responsible/Position: Brittany Johnson / Director of Transportation

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

☐ Information Only

☒ Action Needed

☐ Receive Input

B. Authority for This Action:

☒ Local Policy

☐ Law or Rule

☐ N/A

C. Priority, Goal, or Need Addressed:

☐ Strategic Plan

☒ District/Campus
Improvement
Plan

☐ Other

Priorities

☒ **Priority 1:** Recruiting, Hiring, Coaching, and Retaining High Quality Teachers and Staff to Support Student Outcomes.

☐ **Priority 2:** Maximizing Academic Performance.

☐ **Priority 3:** Maximizing Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Opportunities, Performance, and Engagement.

☒ **Priority 4:** Planning, Preparing, and Maintaining Facilities and Environments for Learning.

☐ **Priority 5:** Obtaining and Maintaining Top Rated District Recognition

Board Goals for 2023-2028

☐ **Goal 1*:** The percent of 3rd grade students that score meets grade level or above on STAAR Reading will increase from 49% to 60% by June 2024, 65% for 2024-2025, 70% for 2025-2026, 75% for 2026-2027, 80% for 2027-2028. **(HB3 Required Goal)**

☐ **Goal 2*:** Increased overall student performance in mathematics to 85% Meets Standard by 2028. The percent of 3rd grade students that score meets grade level or above on STAAR Math will increase from 53% to 65% by June 2024, 70% for 2024-2025, 75% for 2025-2026, 80% for 2026-2027, 85% for 2027-2028. **(HB3 Required Goal)**

☐ **Goal 3*:** The percentage of graduates that meet the criteria for CCMR will increase from 72% to 88% by August 2024 and increase to 95% by 2028. **(HB3 Required Goal)**

D.

Summary: Approve the purchase of 4 general education buses from Longhorn Bus Sales.

Background Information: To continue following our growth and replacement plan of our transportation fleet; utilizing data from the demographers report to calculate growth, we are due to replace the 2011 Blue Bird buses (2) and add two additional buses to

the fleet.

With the addition of the four units requested we would then have a yellow fleet that consist of

	Total Units	A/C	3-point Seatbelts
General	36	36	20
Specialized	8	8	7

Quotes were requested from the three school bus vendors, all are on BuyBoard. An additional fee of \$800 per PO is required to be included to the prices listed below.

MANUFACTURE	COST EACH	TOTAL - includes all fees, minus BuyBoard fee	TIMELINE
Thomas Bus Texas	\$186,300.00	\$745,200.00	Not provided with RFQ
Longhorn Bus Sales	\$179,696.00	\$718,784.00	6-12 months
Rush Bus	\$163,320.00	\$653,280.00	30 Days

This purchase will be funded with bond funds approved in the 2021 bond election allowing for the purchase of buses.

The recommendation is to purchase buses from Longhorn Bus Sales as they will provide the best value to the school district. The option allows the district to achieve long-term financial and operational efficiency. Purchasing these buses maintains standardization of our fleet. This company has maintained their quality of product, have been very responsive to concerns, to recalls and other mechanical issues, as well as overall customer service after the vehicles have been accepted.

E. Comments Received:

☐ LT

☐ DEIC

☒ Other

All agenda items are reviewed by the Superintendent's Leadership Team.

F.

**Administrative
Recommendation:**

**The Board approve the purchase of 4 general
education buses from Longhorn Bus Sales.**

G. Fiscal Impact and Cost:

Amount: \$719,584.00

☐ Budget

☐ Grant/Special
Funds

☐ Other

☒ Bond

H. Exhibits:

I. Action:

“I move to approve/disapprove/postpone” the purchase of 4 general education buses from Longhorn Bus Sales as presented.

Motion by: _____ second by: _____

FOR: J. Frederick, D. Gilliam, L. Gosch, D. Reinhard, M. Sartain, C. Scheib, B. Stephenson

AGAINST: J. Frederick, D. Gilliam, L. Gosch, D. Reinhard, M. Sartain, C. Scheib, B. Stephenson

ABSTAIN: J. Frederick, D. Gilliam, L. Gosch, D. Reinhard, M. Sartain, C. Scheib, B. Stephenson

MOTION CARRIED/DENIED/POSTPONED