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Date: November 18, 2026
To: Board of Education Members
From: Dr. Melydi Huyett, Superintendent & Marc Campbell, Chief School Business Official
RE: Membership approval in TIPS

In accordance with Board of Education Policy 4:60 Purchases and Contracts, the Board has adopted policy regarding compliance with 105 ILCS 5/15A-1 regarding Design-build contracts.

The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) is a national purchasing cooperative administered by the Region 8 Education Service Center located in Texas. Through a competitive solicitation process, TIPS awards contracts for a broad range of products and services including technology, maintenance and operations supplies, vehicles, furniture, construction-related services, cybersecurity solutions, and educational resources. Participating public entities, including school districts, may utilize these contracts in lieu of conducting separate bid processes when permitted by state law.

Membership in TIPS is provided at no cost to the District and does not obligate the District to purchase any goods or services. Rather, membership gives the District access to competitively awarded contracts that may provide additional purchasing options and opportunities for cost savings.

Bryne & Jones Construction is an approved vendor under TIPS. Our membership allows the District to hire them for the field construction project.

Recommendation
Administration recommends that the Board of Education approve membership in The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) on behalf of the District.