

**Bandera Independent School District  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Date: July 6, 2020 Presented By: Dr. Jerry Hollingsworth

Subject: Consideration and possible action on a Budget Amendment from Unassigned Fund Balance to Fund 199 and the purchase of Chromebooks and cases out of Fund Balance Related Page(s) 1

**Regular Agenda**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

In the past two years, the district has invested considerable resources toward the improvement of teacher capacity in the use of digital tools to support better instruction. This has included the digital classroom initiative, numerous site visits, and more than 60 of our teachers participating in the University of Texas’ “UTeach” blended learning training. Additionally, with the onset of COVID-19 this spring, our district used classroom-dedicated devices to distribute computers to students in order to provide online, remote instruction.

The administration proposes using a combination of currently-owned Chromebooks in good condition (for grades 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, and 12) along with the following purchases to ensure that each student in Bandera ISD has full-time access to a laptop or similar device:

- Purchase new Chromebooks for students entering grades 3, 6, 9, and 10
- Purchase touchscreen Chromebook devices for students entering Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and grade 1
- Purchase new devices for some staff members
- Purchase cases for currently-owned Chromebooks

Administration proposes that the funds for this purchase come from the district’s Fund Balance.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Budget Amendment

<b>BOARD PRIORITY GOALS</b>		
X	<b>Priority Goal #1</b>	<b>Advance our Vision and Core Values to Tell the Bandera ISD Story</b>
X	<b>Priority Goal #2</b>	<b>Emphasize Leadership and Clear Systems of Operation</b>
	<b>Priority Goal #3</b>	<b>Emphasize Advanced Academics and Career-Readiness</b>

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Administration recommends that the district amend the budget to move \$333,200 from the unassigned fund balance to Fund 199 for the purchase of Chromebooks and cases in an amount not to exceed \$333,200.

**BOARD ACTION REQUIRED**

Motion By:

Battle   Butler   Hicks   Jauer   Mansfield   Neff   Skipper

Second By:

Battle   Butler   Hicks   Jauer   Mansfield   Neff   Skipper

Vote: For: \_\_\_\_\_      Against: \_\_\_\_\_      Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_