

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends that the Board of Trustees approves a contract for ConsuLab training systems from Toolkit Technologies, Inc. for the Automotive and Collision Technology program.

BACKGROUND

Toolkit Technologies, Inc. provides a broad range of products for continued success and growth in the Automotive and Collision Technology program. Those products will be used in multiple classes to include Engine Performance Analysis I, Engine Performance Analysis II, Automotive Climate Control Systems, and Automotive Electrical System.

Toolkit Technologies, Inc. is the sole authorized distributor of ConsuLab training aids in the state of Texas and is exempt from competitive bidding per Section 44.031(j) of the Texas Education Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

The purchase of this trainer will allow students to identify and troubleshoot the Stop-Start system in all vehicles. Manufacturers have added this feature to improve fuel and lower vehicle emissions. The Stop-Start system impacts the drivability in class AUMT 2317 and 2334. It also provides the efficacy of our A/C units in class AUMT 1345 and the starter of the electrical systems in class AUMT 1307.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

This purchasing request is for spend authorization of \$110,000, which will be funded through a Carl Perkins Basic – Automotive Technology Grant.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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