



## **SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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Meeting: September 3, 2021 – Regular Board of Education Meeting

Category: Business Item

Subject: Request to Purchase One, Used 15-passenger Van, not to exceed \$45,000

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is the administration's recommendation that the School Board approve the request to purchase one, used 15-passenger van, not to exceed \$45,000

### **PERTINENT FACTS:**

We will be pursuing a legislative grant to purchase a new 15-passenger van for transporting students to activities that meets the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards for school buses (Federal law requires that new vehicles designed to transport 11 or more people meet these standards). We would also like to purchase a used 15-person van with low miles for this purpose. Used vehicles are not required to meet the FMVSS requirements for school buses, which will increase the options available to us for this vehicle.

Our current fleet is aging, and we have small number of bus drivers on staff. In addition, the number of students traveling to an activity often exceeds the capacity of the larger SUV's in our fleet. A recent model, used 15-passenger van would give us added flexibility for transporting students to activities and decrease the number of vehicles needed, saving both fuel and driver costs.

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

**Approve the request to purchase one, used 15-passenger van, not to exceed \$45,000.**