

Date: November 24, 2025
To: Board of Education

From: Stacy Bailey

Re: Furniture Purchase - Elementary Schools and Chippewa Middle School

## **Purchase Information**

| Vendor                       | Building/Area                | Cost Not to<br>Exceed Amount |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| DBI Haworth                  | Chippewa MS Administration   | \$400,000                    |
| Great Lakes Furniture Supply |                              |                              |
|                              | Chippewa MS Classroom        | \$2,400,000                  |
|                              | Cornell Classroom            | \$1,050,000                  |
|                              | Bennett Woods Classroom      | \$665,000                    |
|                              | Central Montessori Classroom | \$275,000                    |
|                              | Hiawatha Classroom           | \$800,000                    |
|                              |                              | \$5,190,000                  |
|                              | Grand Total                  | \$5,590,000                  |

## **Description of Need**

New Classroom Furniture was identified in the 2022 Bond as a need across the district.

- The NEW Chippewa Middle School will be outfitted with new furniture in the administration areas and classrooms. Existing furniture in the cafeteria and media center, recently purchased with 2019 bond funds, will be reused in the NEW CMS.
- Bennett Woods, Central Montessori, Cornell and Hiawatha will receive new classroom furniture, including student desks and chairs and teachers stations

## **Recommendation**

The purchase of new furniture was included in the 2022 bond. A comprehensive selection was previously reviewed with the Board on November 25, 2024. The presentation from that meeting is included in the current Board packet for reference.

The total budget for furniture in the 2022 bond is \$9,115,000. Of this amount, \$1.4 million was spent last summer for new classroom furniture at Kinawa, leaving approximately \$7.7 million for remaining furniture projects.

I recommend the Board approve the purchase of the new furniture as described.