



To: Board of Education  
Dr. Jon Bartelt, Superintendent

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Re: Approval of Furniture Procurement

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## **Introduction**

As our construction projects move forward, the focus transitions towards "finishing touches" which will transform walls into active learning spaces. The District has been working closely with Educational Environments (a Cooney company) selecting furniture that is not only durable, but truly fits the vision for how our students and teachers work and learn.

## **Situation**

To maximize purchasing power, the district is utilizing OMNIA Partners purchasing cooperative. This allows access to pre-negotiated "bulk-rate" pricing, while ensuring high-quality, vetted products.

Teachers and staff have been hands-on throughout this process, including attending a site visit to touch, move, and test different options. Based on their feedback, we've prioritized the following areas for furniture:

- Kindergarten classrooms at DuJardin and Erickson
- Classroom storage
- Westfield library
- Westfield common

## **Recommendation**

The District is recommending the Board approve the furniture purchase from Educational Environments for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.