



PROSPECT HEIGHTS DISTRICT 23 FINANCE & BUILDINGS & SITES COMMITTEES INFORMATION ITEM

Date: March 1, 2021
Title: 2021 Plan for Projector Replacements
Contact: Amy McPartlin, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In accordance with the Technology Department's equipment replacement schedule within the [Educational Technology Plan 3.0](#) (p17), the classroom projectors have been identified as a priority for the remainder of FY21, FY22 and FY23. Taking remaining budgetary allocations into account, as well as available Technology and Maintenance staff, MacArthur has been selected to receive the first round of replacements.

Currently, these replacements are slightly ahead of schedule. This summer's plan for MacArthur includes the 7th and 8th grade units to be replaced with remaining FY21 funding in June. 6th grade will be completed after summer school in mid-July and will be paid with FY22 funds.

Following identification of the preferred Epson Model, the Technology Department obtained three quotes from vendors regarding the projector and mount pricing. Prices are reflective of the BrightFutures Epson pricing available to education institutions within the United States. The lowest cost was submitted by the District's prior vendor SHI, at a cost of \$1,159 per projector and \$95 per mount.

In addition to the actual cost of hardware, replacements of these units will involve our outside electrician (JCB Electric) to move the power to a ceiling location above the existing wall mounted projectors (approx. 39 locations). District 23 maintenance staff will provide him with all the materials he may need (approx. \$1,200). The proposal for his services has been attached for your review.

The anticipated total cost for the MacArthur projector replacements has been budgeted at \$60,000. This includes a FY21 allocation of \$37,000 and a FY22 allocation of \$21,000 from the Technology budget. The electrical work and touch up painting as needed has already been budgeted through the Buildings & Grounds Contracted Services account.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

In accordance with the Education Technology Plan 3.0, expenditures for the projector replacement projects have been budgeted in both Fund 20 and Fund 10. While the purchase of technology equipment is exempt from the public bidding requirement under Illinois School Code, we are presenting this plan to keep the Board up to date on current initiatives. We will be happy to share with the entire Board with the Committee's approval.