

Denton Independent School District
High School Campus Computer Refresh Equipment Purchase
February 22, 2022

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval for the quotes received from Apple for \$53,550.00, Dell Marketing L.P. for \$806,316.30, Delcom Group LP \$29,848.00, and Anixter Inc. for \$8,880.00 for the high school campus teachers and office staff computer refresh equipment in the total amount of \$898,594.30.

BOARD GOAL:

Growth & Management – Demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

A Workshop outlining the schedule for refreshing desktop computers was presented to the Board on November 13, 2018.

- A portion of the computer lab refresh was approved by the Board on December 11, 2018, and November 12, 2019.
- A portion of the library refresh was approved by the Board on August 27, 2019.
- The elementary campus desktop computer refresh was approved by the Board on April 28, 2020.
- The middle school desktop computer refresh was approved by the Board on April 27, 2021.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The goal of the Technology Division's desktop computer refresh is to establish a true 5-year life-cycle refresh plan for updating desktops for staff, computer labs and library spaces.

In collaboration with the Business Office, it was determined that splitting the teacher refresh over a three-year period rather than a single-year rollout would help reduce the budget impact on any single year. The elementary campus equipment, including the office staff desktop computers were refreshed in June 2020. The middle school campus equipment was refreshed in the summer of 2021.

As part of the high school refresh that will happen summer 2022, all Principals and Assistant Principals will receive a desktop with 2 monitors and a laptop for off-campus meetings. Office staff including Counselors, Nurses and Secretaries will receive a desktop with 2 monitors due to the nature of their job requirements. Coaches will receive a desktop in their core classroom as well as a desktop in their Athletic teaching space.

Technology worked with Fine Arts in determining the device that would best fit the instructional needs of the Fine Arts staff and the recommendation was to provide a MacBook Air, HDMI adapter, and monitor for all Fine Arts staff.

Any computers that are of good quality will be re-purposed as needed within the district.

Data Summary:

Industry best practice is for machines to be on a three to five-year lifecycle. We currently purchase the five-year warranty on PC's, making the five-year lifecycle a good option. Computers over five years of age result in impaired instructional time, increased support costs, and an unacceptable cybersecurity issue.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

This technology equipment and installation will be purchased through Texas Local Governmental Purchasing Cooperatives (DIR & TIPS) contracts. This purchase is being brought for approval in accordance with the District's CH (local) policy.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost will be borne through the 2021-2022 technology assigned fund balance in the amount of \$898,594.30.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The approval of this purchase will allow the District to continue supporting the 4C's while enhancing the District's innovative work and learning spaces, spread the cost of this plan over 5 years, and align long-term purchases with individual campus needs.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the quotes received from Apple in the amount of \$53,550.00, Dell Marketing L.P. in the amount \$806,316.30, Delcom Group LP in the amount of \$29,848.00 and Anixter Inc. for \$8,880.00 for the high school campus teachers and office staff computer refresh equipment be approved.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Scott Niven, Deputy Superintendent
Robert Pierce, Chief Technology Officer
Susan Cheatham, Senior Technology Services Manager
Dianna Casper, Director of Purchasing

ATTACHMENTS:

None

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____