

**HAYS CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Date: October 27, 2025

Agenda Item: L.3

Board Goal: Student Achievement

**Subject: Consideration and possible approval of the 2025 Bond-funded purchase of Computers and accompanying Maintenance and Support Agreements for use in the CTE Arts and A/V Classrooms at Hays High School, Johnson High School, and Lehman High School – Apple Store for Education**

**Administrator Responsible/Position: Marivel Sedillo, Deputy Superintendent / Chief Academic Officer  
Dr. Michael Watson, Deputy Academic Officer  
Rick Bough, Director of Career & Technical Education  
Matt Kelly, Coordinator of Career & Technical Education**

**A. Purpose of Agenda Item:**

- Action needed                       Information only                       Receive input

**B. Authority for This Action:**

- Local Policy:                       Law or Rule                       N/A  
CH – Purchasing & Acquisition

**C. Goal or Need Addressed:** Provide adequate resources for the instructional environment

**D. Summary:**

- Previous board action relating to this item: N/A  
 Future action anticipated: N/A  
 Background information: The devices currently in place in these three classrooms were purchased and put into service in 2018. There have been significant changes in Audio/Video production and Graphic Design software over the past 7 years and the current devices lack the capacity to fully support the latest versions of these program

This request is for the purchase 93 Apple Mac mini devices and the applicable maintenance and support agreement to replace the Arts and A/V lab devices at the three comprehensive high schools. Funding this acquisition through the 2025 Bond will alleviate the financial burden on the general fund.

**E. Comments Received:**

- Cabinet       DLT                       FBOC                       Teacher Org. Reps.       Other: Technology

**F. Administrative Recommendation:** Administration recommends approval of the purchase.

**Advantages and benefits of this proposal:** Updating the labs will enhance performance and compatibility with current Audio/Video and Graphic Design software, ensuring students have access to industry-standard tools. This upgrade will improve teaching efficiency, foster creativity, and better prepare students for modern workforce demands, ultimately supporting the district's commitment to delivering high-quality, relevant education.

**Expected results in terms of student benefit/achievement:** Updating the labs will enhance student achievement by providing access to the latest industry-standard Audio/Video and Graphic Design software. This will enable students to complete real-world projects more effectively and prepare them for industry-based certifications. With hands-on experience using current technology, students will gain valuable skills and increased competitiveness in the job market.

**Effect of this action on other parts of the system:** Updating the lab's technology will strengthen the overall system by reducing technical issues and maintenance needs. This improvement will lead to more efficient use of resources and support smoother operation of related production tasks.

**Consequences of not approving this recommendation:** If the upgrade is not approved, outdated devices will continue to cause slow performance and compatibility issues, limiting students' ability to work with current industry tools. This will reduce their job market competitiveness and increase maintenance costs, while also making it harder for faculty to deliver effective instruction.

**G. Fiscal Impact and Cost: \$143,094**

Budget       2025 Bond       Grant/Special Funds:       Other

Budget Amendment Needed

**Bid / Contract Information:** Choice Partners 23/036SG-01

**Prior Year Spending for this item/service:** \$369,236.63

**Reasons for rejecting alternatives:** Apple Minis were chosen because they provide better compatibility and performance with industry-standard Audio/Video and Graphic Design software commonly used in creative fields. Macs are widely preferred for their reliability and optimized support for these workflows. Additionally, Apple Minis offer a compact, energy-efficient design that suits the classroom while delivering the necessary power for multimedia tasks.

**Future/Ongoing:** Hays CISD will continue to provide current, high-quality instruction to students using updated technology that supports industry-standard software.

**H. Monitoring and Reporting Time Line:**

**Person responsible for evaluating this decision or action:** Marivel Sedillo, Dr. Michael Watson, Rick Bough

**Evaluation method and timeline:** Usage will be evaluated by IBC performance, reviewing student artifacts, and classroom observations throughout the academic year.

**Next report to the Board:** N/A

**I. Suggested Motion:**

I move that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees approve the purchase of computers and accompanying maintenance and service agreements from Apple Store for Education for use in the CTE Arts and A/V Classrooms at Hays HS, Johnson HS, and Lehman HS, for a 2025 Bond-funded amount not to exceed \$143,094, as presented.