## Independent School District 877 Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose Schools

## Department of Finance and Operations Improvement Plan 2012-2013

**District Key Result:** Effective and Efficient Operations

**Personal Goal:** Review our current purchasing procedures to determine if there are possibilities for cost savings through alternative purchasing methods.

**Supporting Data** (evidence of need): Technology continues to evolve that allows opportunities for online ordering and purchasing. These technology changes are continually moving us towards a paperless order and approval process. In addition, there are a number of purchasing opportunities that exist through buying groups, state contracts, and other joint purchasing processes. Currently, we do use a number of these processes for purchases. This review would be done to ensure that we are as efficient and effective in our purchasing process as possible.

| Measures:                                      | Targets:  |
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| The district staff will determine if there are | Develop a comprehensive listing of all              |
| opportunities for ordering efficiency and cost | purchasing systems used throughout the district and |
| savings through the review of the current      | provide recommendations for change, if any, by      |
| purchasing model.                              | 4/1/13.   |

| Strategies   | Person(s) Responsible  | Timeline    |
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| Review current purchasing programs available through various buying groups, joints powers agreements, and state contracts and determine electronic purchasing capabilities of TIES finance system. | Gary Kawlewski, Tami<br>Johnson, Miranda<br>Kramer, and Eric<br>Hamilton | By 2/1/2013 |
| Review the listings to determine if opportunities for efficiency and cost effectiveness exist  | Gary Kawlewski, Tami<br>Johnson, Miranda<br>Kramer, and Eric<br>Hamilton | By 3/1/2013 |
| Make report of recommendations to administrative team for possible changes for 2013-14 school year   | Gary Kawlewski, Tami<br>Johnson, Miranda<br>Kramer, and Eric<br>Hamilton | By 4/1/2013 |

| To be completed in June: |       |      |             |
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| Accomplished:            | ☐ Yes | □ No | In Progress |