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## Board of Education

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### ACTION

<b>TITLE:</b>	Consider Approving K-2 Device Purchases
<b>DATE:</b>	June 18, 2020
<b>RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR:</b>	Vance Gregory, Executive Director of Technology
<b>VISION 2023 STRATEGY:</b>	Strategy 6: Technology “Provide appropriate technology that is consistently available, effectively supported and equitably distributed for group and individual instruction.”

### BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

In preparation for the 2020-2021 school year, the district is looking to move forward the purchase of student devices to be deployed at the kindergarten grade level. Device purchases for Kindergarten would normally occur midway into the Fall semester and be delivered and deployed during Winter Break. The recent increase and dependence upon at-home, remote, or distance learning necessitates an accelerated deployment schedule.

Deployment of devices to grades K through 2<sup>nd</sup> began in 2019-2020 and follow a 3 year replacement cycle. The 2020-2021 school year will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the rotation, moving last year’s Chromebooks up to first grade. The district is also looking at purchasing touchscreen enabled Chromebooks for Kindergarten moving forward. The number of devices to be purchased for Kindergarten is approximately 1100.

The quote attachments represent contract pricing that will permit the district to make purchases throughout the school year at a consistent, highly discounted cost. Two vendor quotes have been attached to provide the district with manufacturer options should flexibility be needed when disruptions occur in the supply chain with specific regards to one manufacturer or the other.

### RECOMMENDATION:

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The administration recommends the board consider approving the purchase of Chromebook devices for Kindergarten students as part of the Vision 2023 strategy and the K-2 replacement cycle for student devices.

If the Board agrees, the motion would read: ***move to approve the purchase of Kindergarten student Chromebook devices for 2020-2021 and on an as-needed basis.***

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