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## **BOARD MEETING MEMORANDUM**

Board Meeting Date:	December 17, 2024
From:	Maria Treto-French, Assistant Superintendent/CFO/CSBO
<u>Re:</u>	Purchase of a Wheelchair Accessible School Bus
Attachment:	Midwest Proposal
Agenda Location:	Consideration to Approve: Action Items

## Rationale:

This year's capital purchase budget in the Transportation Fund has allocated sufficient funds to accommodate the purchase of large buses as necessary. With a focus on addressing the district's long-term needs for student transportation, it has become apparent that our growing student population requires more specialized transportation solutions, including the ability to accommodate multiple wheelchair transports to the same location.

In response to these needs, we are proposing the acquisition of a 2022 30-passenger + 3 wheelchair spots IC/CE Hydraulic School Bus with Air Conditioning from Midwest Transit Equipment. with AC and 5-year extended warranties through 2029

The proposed bus is designed to meet the district's increasing demand for accessible transportation options. The bus will serve a greater number of students while also providing the flexibility to transport students requiring wheelchairs, ensuring that we can safely include all riders for events such as field trips.

This purchase will ensure that our fleet reaches the appropriate size which requires 10% of our total bus count for 'spare' buses.

## **Recommendation/Motion:**

The administration recommends the Board approve the proposed purchase of a 2022; 30-passenger + 3 wheelchair spots Wheelchair Accessible School Bus for the total purchase price of \$122,252.00.