

Gregory-Portland Independent School District

BOARD MEMORANDUM

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DATE: Monday, December 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Middle School Chromebook Refresh

PRIORITIES

PRIORITY 1: EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT PERFORMANCE

- 1.1 Annually increase performance in reading for all students and all student groups
- 1.2 Annually increase performance in math for all students and all student groups
- 1.3 Annually increase performance in College; Career; and Military Readiness for all students and all student groups
- 1.4 Annually increase student engagement for all students and all student groups

PRIORTY 2: HIGH PERFORMING AND ENGAGED WORKFORCE

2.1 Annually increase the percentage of staff satisfaction

PRIORITY 3: QUALITY SERVICE AND IMPACTFUL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 3.3 Annually increase the percentage of community satisfaction and engagement PRIORITY 4: EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE DISTRICT AND CAMPUS OPERATIONS
- 4.1 Annually improve operational processes
- 4.3 Ensure strategic alignment of resources

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Type: Action

The fleet of Chromebooks at the Middle School is at showing degradation in performance due to being at end of life status. This set of devices were purchased in 2020 and have lived out their expectations and are no longer under warranty as well.

In order to provide efficient, uninterrupted services to students through access to Chromebooks, a full replacement is needed with devices that are designed to meet the needs of increasing specifications when it comes to connectivity. This would ensure consistent access to digital curriculum and resources during instructional time.

The Technology Department has received positive feedback from stakeholders regarding the quoted device model and has thoroughly evaluated all available warranty coverage options. Selecting the recommended vendor would also provide an opportunity to continue researching and establish a "Repair Academy," where students can receive hands-on training in Chromebook repair. This initiative would not only enhance students' technical skills but also create a small, in-house workforce to assist with device repairs, improving efficiency and reducing downtime.

RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends that the board consider approval of the current quote for 1,800 Chromebooks which will completely refresh the fleet in the Middle School classrooms.

FINANCIAL IMPACT AMOUNT AND FUNDING SOURCE (IF APPLICABLE):

The current quote is estimated at \$1,186,200. This would be taken out of available 2023 BOND funds to supply students with devices geared towards the 1:1 initiative.

Two quotes were considered for this project. Although similarly priced, the recommended proposal provides additional services allowing the devices to be deployed for student use, directly out of the box.

BOARD RELATED POLICY:

N/A

ACTION ITEM SUGGESTED MOTION (if applicable):

That the board accept the recommendation by administration to approve the quote for Chromebooks at the Middle School.