

Action Sheet

MEETING DATE: June 26, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Discuss and consider approval of purchase of Dell Chromebooks

Purchasing additional Chromebooks using ESSER 3 funds will significantly enhance the educational experience for our students. Chromebooks are essential tools for facilitating collaborative learning, ensuring that all students have equitable access to digital resources and online instruction. By expanding the number of available Chromebooks, the district can help supplement instruction to curtail the loss of student learning as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic. This is crucial for maintaining educational continuity and accommodating various learning needs and health concerns. Furthermore, Chromebooks enable the use of diverse educational software and applications, enhancing interactive and personalized learning opportunities that can help close learning gaps. Galveston ISD's student population consists of 80% economically disadvantaged. Many GISD students do not have the financial means to have computers available to them outside of school hours. The devices allow for an intervention that responds to the student's academic, social, and emotional needs and address the disproportionate impact of Covid-19 on underrepresented student subgroups.

Investing in additional Chromebooks also supports the district's long-term educational goals by providing a durable and scalable technology solution. By leveraging ESSER 3 funds to purchase these devices, the district can ensure that all students, including those from low-income families, have consistent access to the necessary technology for their academic success. This investment aligns with federal guidelines for ESSER funds, which prioritize addressing the impact of lost instructional time. Ultimately, increasing the number of Chromebooks will empower students with the tools they need to succeed in a modern, digitally connected learning environment. Three quotes are provided. Dell, CDW, and Howard.

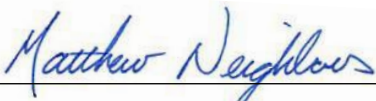
Total Amount: \$ 234,975.00

Purchasing Contract: # TX-DIR-TSO-3763

Fund Source: Esser III, General

Count: 723

RECOMMENDATION: I move that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of the Dell Chromebooks in the amount of \$ 234,975.00, as presented.



Matthew Neighbors Ed. D.
Superintendent



Jeff Martello
Chief Financial Officer