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To: Coppell ISD Board of Trustees

From: Chris Trotter - Chief Operations Officer

Date: August 17, 2023

cc: Dr. Brad Hunt, Diana Sircar, Josette Dobbins

## Re: Approval of Vendors for Emergency Cooler and Freezer Repairs for Child Nutrition

With the historic hot temperatures this summer, Coppell ISD is experiencing greater than normal number of coolers and freezers in its campus kitchens experiencing outages. Some of the repairs cannot be conducted in-house due to the complexities of the outages. Due to our approved refrigeration equipment repair vendors being fully booked throughout the metroplex during this unprecedented heat wave, it has become necessary to hire other area refrigeration equipment repair vendors to assist with these repairs.

The Texas Education Code, §44.031(h), allows for the Board of Trustees to declare an emergency to make purchases through methods other than the standard purchasing methods, if the delay of such purchases would prevent or substantially impair essential school activities. These purchases include equipment, repairing a school facility, or replacing personal property that has been destroyed or damaged due to an emergency.

Recommendation: That the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees, as allowed by Texas Education Code 44.031(h), declare an emergency due to the unprecedented heat wave and approve the use of unapproved refrigeration equipment vendors to assist in the repairs of coolers and freezers at an amount not to exceed \$100,000.