



MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Trustees
From: Mr. Carlos Garcia, Technology Director
Subject: Consider Approval to Purchase Dell Laptops for Students
Date: November 20, 2024

RATIONALE:

As part of our ongoing commitment to enhancing educational technology and providing our students with the tools they need for academic success, we are proposing a refresh cycle for the laptops used by 9th and 3rd grade students. This initiative aligns with our goals of maintaining up-to-date technology that supports innovative teaching and learning practices.

Purpose of the Laptop Refresh Cycle

- Enhance Learning Experiences:** In the rapidly evolving educational landscape, modern digital tools play a critical role in student engagement and achievement. The refresh cycle will ensure that our students have access to devices that are fast, reliable, and capable of supporting the latest educational software.
- Support Curriculum Needs:** The current laptops are reaching the end of their useful life in terms of hardware and software compatibility. A refresh will allow us to keep up with the curriculum requirements for both 9th and 3rd grade, where digital resources are becoming increasingly important.
- Improve Classroom Efficiency:** Devices that are faster, more secure, and more user-friendly will increase efficiency in classroom settings, ensuring that students spend more time learning and less time troubleshooting technical issues.

BUDGET IMPACT:

\$89,988.80 for the purchase of 110 Student Laptops. The Tech Lending Laso Grant will be used to purchase these laptops.

Account # 429-11-6395-14-999-11-0-00, and 429-41-6499-14-999-0-00

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed laptop refresh for 9th and 3rd grade students is essential to maintaining high standards of digital learning and ensuring students have the tools needed for success. By updating devices and including a five-year warranty, we are investing in their future, reducing long-term repair costs, and preparing them for the challenges of modern education. We respectfully request the Board's approval to proceed with this initiative.