

Cisco Meraki Systems Manager Enterprise – Subscription/License (5 years)

Background:

To protect and control the hundreds of tech devices attached to our system with our one-to-one computer initiative, we have several software programs. Some provide security and screening; some allow us to track all our devices; some control what software is installed on each machine.

Technology Coordinator Trish Morris has asked to switch to a single system: The Cisco Meraki Systems Manager.

This system will replace five different interfaces we currently use, plus add more integrations for which we would have to pay further. The Cisco System is also more precise. It will allow us to track all device locations and manage them from afar, plus detect their location down to a street address.

It will allow us to manage our whole network remotely as well. The remote access will also allow virtual learners to be managed from any location.

Cost/benefit Analysis:

The cost of the Cisco Meraki Systems Manager would be slightly less than the other software we currently use purchased individually.

The overall cost to purchase the Cisco Meraki Systems Manager exceeds the purchasing authority of the school superintendent, so this is brought to the school board for direct approval.

Our price quote for the Cisco Meraki Systems Manager Enterprise - Subscription/License (5 years), All Device Management System CDW-G quote MCMD145 / Reference MCLP148, is \$45,600.00.

This purchase qualifies for the use of federal COVID-19 funds.

Recommended Action:

I recommend the board move to approve the purchase of the Cisco Meraki Systems Manager Enterprise for \$45,600 from federal COVID-19 funds.