



## Boyne City Public Schools

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# MEMO

To: Board of Education  
From: Patrick Little  
Re: BCES Furniture Purchase Recommendation  
Date: January 29, 2026

I recommend the district purchase furniture for BCES classrooms from Custer, Inc. This company has worked on other successful projects in the District and is part of the E&I Cooperative Services (<https://www.eandi.org/>) consortium, a state-wide bidding organization. The purchase cost is \$274,499, and it will be paid from the Capitol Improvement Fund.

In this case, the district worked directly with Custer, Inc., and their designers rather than engaging with our architect's interior designer. The process went smoothly, and we are excited about the improvements. As we have done in the past, older furniture will be repurposed where appropriate. Furniture in poor condition will be donated to the community. The furniture design and order for BCES are divided into two phases. This is the first phase, with traditional student and staff desks/chairs. Phase two will come as we renovate and build the addition. Office furniture and additional classroom furniture will be ordered to coincide with the improvements, subject to remaining budgets.

An itemized list of purchased items is attached. Please contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns regarding this recommendation.