

Denton Independent School District
Student and Finance Management Software Annual License Renewal Purchase
June 9, 2020

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of the quote from PowerSchool in the amount of \$309,324.88 for the District's software license renewal for eSchoolPLUS, eFinancePLUS, Cognos and Infosnap.

BOARD GOAL:

Growth & Management - Demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Denton ISD began utilizing Pentamation in the 1999-2000 school year. Pentamation became SunGard K-12 which was acquired by PowerSchool on February 2, 2017. eSchoolPLUS is the student database management system utilized to track student information, grades, attendance, scheduling and to submit reports to TEA. eFinancePLUS is the financial system utilized by the Business Office and Human Resources. Cognos is the report writer utilized with both eFinancePLUS and eSchoolPLUS to generate reports. The total cost for these three (3) software packages including maintenance, customizations, and support is \$225,389.76. Potential upgrades during the 2020-2021 fiscal year, while not currently quoted, are anticipated to cost \$14,200. During the year of 2019 Powerschool implemented a policy that they will only be able to support one version lower of eSchoolPLUS or eFinancePLUS from the most current version available. Infosnap is the online registration system for new and returning students. The total cost for this software package is \$69,735.12. The total quoted costs for all software packages along with anticipated upgrade costs is \$309,324.88 for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

The PowerSchool software packages will be purchased through a Texas Local Governmental Purchasing Cooperative (TIPS). This purchase is being brought for approval in accordance with the District's CH (local) policy.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost of the PowerSchool software packages will be borne by the appropriate department budgets.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The approval of this purchase will allow for the District to continue to function in an efficient manner within the Enterprise Information Systems (EIS), Human Resources and Finance Departments.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the quotes from PowerSchool for the District's software license renewal for eSchoolPLUS, eFinancePLUS, Cognos and Infosnap in the amount of \$309,324.88 be approved.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Scott Niven, Chief Financial Officer
Ernie Stripling, Technology Information Officer
Gwen Perkins, Area Superintendent for Academic
Robert Pierce, Information Systems Officer
Dianna Casper, Director of Purchasing

ATTACHMENTS:

None

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____