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Board of Education

TO:	Board of Education
FROM:	Lea DeLuca, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning
DATE:	July 11, 2024
RE:	Purchase of Data Warehouse- EduCLIMBER

This memo is:

[ ] Information only.
[X] Information with a recommendation and a request for Board approval by vote.

> Date by which a Board decision is needed: July 11, 2024

Previous memos on this topic can be found:
[   ] in previous Board packet(s) dated.
[   ] or attached to this memo

Basic Information:
The move from eSchool to PowerSchool has allowed us to assess all our internal systems and data management tools. We are currently utilizing multiple systems to house our data. We have had difficulty being able to easily pull the data and run reports. The system we have attempted to use for the last few years has not been customizable to meet our needs. We would like to consolidate our current systems and purchase EduCLIMBER.
Background/Historical Context:
We currently use Hoonuit (Unified Insights), Embrace MTSS, and Performance Matters as tools to help us track and monitor our data. Historically, We have encountered many issues with data being accurate and easily accessible.   As we transition to PowerSchool from eSchool we have identified a need to strengthen our discipline data system. eSchool has not been user-friendly and has required our teams to sift through layers to get to what they really need. PowerSchool does not have a discipline tracking system that will yield the results we need. As we begin looking into discipline systems, we realize that many of our systems are not aligned. Additionally, we use Performance Matters for tracking assessments. EduCLIMBER has a component called DNA that manages assessments.   We participated in demos from 4 companies that have data warehouse solutions: Panorama, Decision Ed, Abre, and Educlimber. We are already familiar with Hoonuit and Embrace as they are our current systems. After a deep dive into each system, we believe EduCLIMBER would best meet the needs of the district. The purchase of EduCLIMBER and the DnA module would allow us to eliminate MTSS Embrace, Hoonuit, and Performance Matters.   Here is the current yearly cost breakdown vs anticipated cost: Hoonuit $31,944   Performance Matters: $19,760   MTSS Embrace: $5,600   Total: $57,304/yr   Total current system cost for three years: $171,912

eduCLIMBER Quote:
Year 1: $29,000
Year 2: $24,844
Year 3: $25,619
Total: $79,463
DnA Quote: $17,000/year
Total: $51,000 for three years

Total system, including DNA cost for three years: $130,463
Net savings of $41,449

Previous decisions, actions, or parameters that relate to this topic or issue:

Recommendations:

Purchase EduCLIMBER and DnA in place of Hoonuit, Performance Matters, and MTSS Embrace.