

# Zionsville Community Schools

Board of School Trustees Meeting “Item for Consideration”

New Business Item 6b • December 9, 2024

## Request to Purchase: 1:1 Device Expansion

### Category:

<input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources, Personnel/Staffing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance, Budgeting, Accounting	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Board Policy
<input type="checkbox"/> Facilities, Transportation, Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Relations	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

### Type of Board of Trustees Consideration Sought:

Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Discussion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Report	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Facts of this Matter:

ZCS began a 1:1 laptop program at the middle school level during the 2008-2009 school year. For over a decade, the secondary schools utilized a “Bring Your Own Device” (BYOD) approach with various tech tools to enhance learning and instructional practices. In November of 2021, after examining the demands of increased student enrollment, state mandated assessments, and network security measures, the ZCS Board of School Trustees authorized an adjustment to the 1:1 approach, implementing a stepwise move to a 1:1 school-issued device program at the middle level. The school-issued device program began with the class of 2030 as they started 5<sup>th</sup> grade in August of 2022.

The ZCS technology team is now preparing for the next wave of purchases to meet the demands of instruction and assessment. We recommend purchasing a new set of computers for the incoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade class and moving the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Chromebooks with the students into high school. We will also be transitioning some of the testing computers to outfit the 10<sup>th</sup> grade with a Chromebook as well in the 25-26 school year.

### Objective POSITIVES related to this item or approach:

This move, if approved, would allow ZCS to continue the school-issued 1:1 rollout to ZCHS. The pricing on these devices is quite low at \$199.00 and \$32.00 per device for Chrome management.

### Objective NEGATIVES related to this item or approach:

N/A

### Opinion/Recommendation:

It is the recommendation of the technology department to purchase 620 HP G9 Chromebook computers for the expansion of the school-issued 1:1 program.

**Financial Implications, if any:**

The financial impact of this recommended purchase would be \$143,220.00. If approved, funds would be available by utilizing the Technology Purchase Plans for each school with the remainder of the funds coming from the District Technology Purchase Plan. The school corporation received three (3) bids, with Trafera offering the most competitive pricing.

**Suggested Wording for a Motion, if any:**

I move to accept the recommendation of the technology department to purchase 620 new HP G9 Chromebooks for the school issued 1:1 program at a cost of **\$143,220.00**.