

Denton Independent School District
Elementary Campus Computer Refresh Purchase
April 28, 2020

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval for the quote received for the elementary teacher and office staff computer refresh equipment in the amount of \$985,507.20

BOARD GOAL:

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

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

A workshop outlining Phases 1 through 5 of the computer refreshes was presented to the Board on November 13, 2018. Phase 1a was approved by the Board on December 11, 2018. Phase 1b and 2b were approved by the Board on August 27, 2019. Phase 2a was approved by the Board on November 12, 2019.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The goals of the technology computer refresh are to establish a true 5-year life-cycle refresh plan for updating computers and labs.

In the workshop presented to the Trustees in 2018, the plan was to refresh the teacher computers as part of Phase 5 of this life cycle refresh. In collaboration with the Business Office, it was determined that splitting the teacher refresh over a three-year period rather than a single year rollout will help reduce the budget impact on any single year. Additionally, the need to add the campus office staff computers to the refresh life cycle was recognized. Therefore, the campus office refresh will become a part of the teacher three-year roll out. The three-year rollout will begin with the Elementary campuses. The following year we will refresh the Middle Schools and then finish with the High Schools. Any computers that are of good quality will be re-purposed as needed within the District.

Data Summary:

Industry best practice is for machines to be on a three to five-year lifecycle. We currently purchase the five-year warranty on personal computers, making the five-year life cycle a good option. Computers over five years of age result in impaired instructional time, increased support costs, and a significant security risk.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

This technology equipment and installation will be purchased through a Texas Local Governmental Purchasing Cooperative (DIR) contract. This purchase is being brought for approval in accordance with the District's CH (local) policy.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost will be borne through the 2019-2020 technology assigned fund balance in the amount of \$985,507.20.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The approval of this purchase will allow the District to continue supporting the 4Cs while enhancing the innovative work and learning spaces, spread the cost of this plan over 5 years and align long-term purchases with individual campus needs.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the quote and statement of work from Dell EMC in the amount of \$985,507.20 for the elementary teacher and office staff computer refresh equipment be approved.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Scott Niven, Chief Financial Officer
Ernie Stripling, Chief Technology Officer
Susan Cheatham, Senior Technology Services Manager
Dianna Casper, Director of Purchasing

ATTACHMENTS:

Elementary Campus Computer Refresh Purchase Locations

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____