



Memorandum

To: Michael Kapolka, Superintendent
From: Ryan Spencer, Director of Technology
Subject: WISD Internet Services & PowerSchool Hosting 26/27
Date: June 1, 2026

Dear Mr. Kapolka,

I am recommending approval of the 2026-2027 WISD fiber consortium costs for internet services and PowerSchool server hosting. These services continue to play a critical role in supporting district operations and student learning by providing reliable access to instructional technology, digital resources, communication systems, and student information services.

The WISD fiber consortium provides the Chelsea School District with high-speed internet connectivity, fiber maintenance and repair, network security, redundancy, ongoing infrastructure upgrades, and dedicated technical support shared across Washtenaw County districts. In addition, the WISD hosts our PowerSchool server, including management of the physical server infrastructure, security updates, software upgrades, backups, and technical support to help ensure the system remains secure and reliable.

The fiber consortium committee reviewed and approved the 2026-2027 per-pupil costs. For the upcoming school year, the fiber/internet cost remains \$19 per student, and PowerSchool hosting remains \$2 per student. Based on the Fall 2025 student count of 2,288 students, the Chelsea School District's total cost for these services is \$48,048.00. Funding for these services will be provided through the Technology Department budget within the general fund. The proposed costs will also be reviewed by the Washtenaw Superintendents' Association (WSA).

Given the importance of these services to district operations, I recommend that the Board approve the 2026-2027 fiber consortium costs as presented.

Thank you for your consideration.
Ryan Spencer