

Date: March 2, 2020

Division: Technology

Subject: Year 3 Program Specific Instructional and Operational Computer Refresh (Windows Only)

Background Information:

- The primary purpose for this item will be to replace Program Specific Windows computers. Program Specific computers consist of a broad range of areas, such as specific curriculum areas such as CTE, counseling, administrative offices, etc. The breakdown of devices includes desktop computers with monitors, student laptops, and staff laptops that will be utilized throughout the District in various campus and department offices, labs, and classrooms.
- The LISD computer refresh period is based on a five-year cycle. Currently there are Microsoft Windows laptops and desktops that are five years old or older. These computers are used daily and need to be replaced.
- Functioning and efficient technology is needed to adequately enhance the learning environment for students and staff. As devices continue to age, expenses are incurred for repair, technical support, and user downtime.
- The Technology Department is attempting to balance the project with ongoing projects, as well as daily tasks. In moving forward with technology projects, it is essential to have adequate spacing of projects due to limited time and shared resources. Purchasing these computers prior to Summer will allow Technology to receive, configure, and deploy the computers before the start of school.
- Technology is also working on plans to refresh devices that are shared by students. This includes laptop carts and other class sets of computers. A recommendation to replace that technology will be presented to the Board in the future once the plans are completed.
- This project was included in the 2017 Bond technology project list.
- The Technology Department will work with the Procurement and Contracts Department to procure the products for this project.

Administrative Consideration:

- Funds for this project will come from the 2017 Technology Bond budgets.
- Anticipated expenditures are not expected to exceed approved budgets.
- The Technology Department anticipates bringing a recommendation to the Board for consent at a future Board of Trustees Meeting.