

**Date:** March 2, 2026

**To:** Dr. Robert Halverson, Superintendent of Schools  
East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education

**From:** Paula Cardona, Executive Director of Information Systems/CIO

**Subject:** Recommendation to purchase 2,500 Lenovo Chromebooks with 3-year NorthGuard Protection for students in grades 2nd, 6th, and 9th.

**Chromebook Purchase:**

Seek approval for the purchase of Lenovo Chromebooks with 3-year NorthGuard Protection for students in Grades 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6th, and 9th for FY 2026-2027.

**Justification:**

The district maintains a cyclical Chromebook replacement schedule for students in grades 2, 6, and 9 to ensure continued access to reliable, secure, and instructionally appropriate technology. Advancing this purchase at this time is fiscally responsible given current market conditions, including limited quote-validity periods and a volatile pricing environment. Industry analysts project Chromebook price increases, driven by AI-related global memory (RAM) shortages, making delayed procurement likely more costly. Chromebooks remain well-suited for instructional use, offering extensive accessibility features to support diverse learners and seamless integration with Google Workspace applications, enabling centralized device management, application deployment, and security controls. Designed specifically for educational settings, Chromebooks are cost-effective, durable, easy to repair, and provide all-day battery life, supporting learning beyond the classroom. Additionally, instructional staff—particularly in upper elementary grades—have identified the need for keyboard-enabled devices to improve student productivity, writing proficiency, and overall learning outcomes. Proceeding with this purchase ensures instructional continuity, supports equitable access, and mitigates anticipated financial risk.

**Board Policy:**

Pursuant to Board Policy 4:60, Supplies, materials, or work involving an expenditure in excess of \$25,000 must comply with the State law bidding procedure, 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21, unless specifically exempted; vii purchases and contracts for the use, purchase, delivery, movement or installation of data processing equipment, software, or services and telecommunications and interconnect equipment, software or services.

**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

This recommendation supports Strategic Goal #1, Educational Equity that states the following: East Aurora School District 131 will meet the diverse needs of all students by ensuring a safe and an inclusive learning environment. Strategic Goal #2, Operational Excellence, which states: *East Aurora School District 131 will align and utilize systems and resources that promote operational excellence, efficiency, and fiscal accountability.*

**Funding:**

District funds will be used.

**Supporting Data:**

See the attached quotes from NorthStar K12 Inc., CDW, and ChromebookParts.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the purchase of 2,500 Lenovo Chromebooks with 3-year NorthGuard Protection for students in 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> grades in the 2026-2027 school year. The purchase agreement would be with NorthStar K12 Inc. for \$1,152,500. District technology funding would be used for the purchase.

**Timeline for Decision**

March 2, 2026

<b>BILL TO:</b>	<b>SHIP TO:</b>
417 5Th St Aurora IL United States 60505	417 5Th St Aurora IL United States 60505

Account Name: <b>East Aurora D131</b>	Quote Stage: <b>Delivered</b>
Contact Name: <b>Paula Cardona</b>	

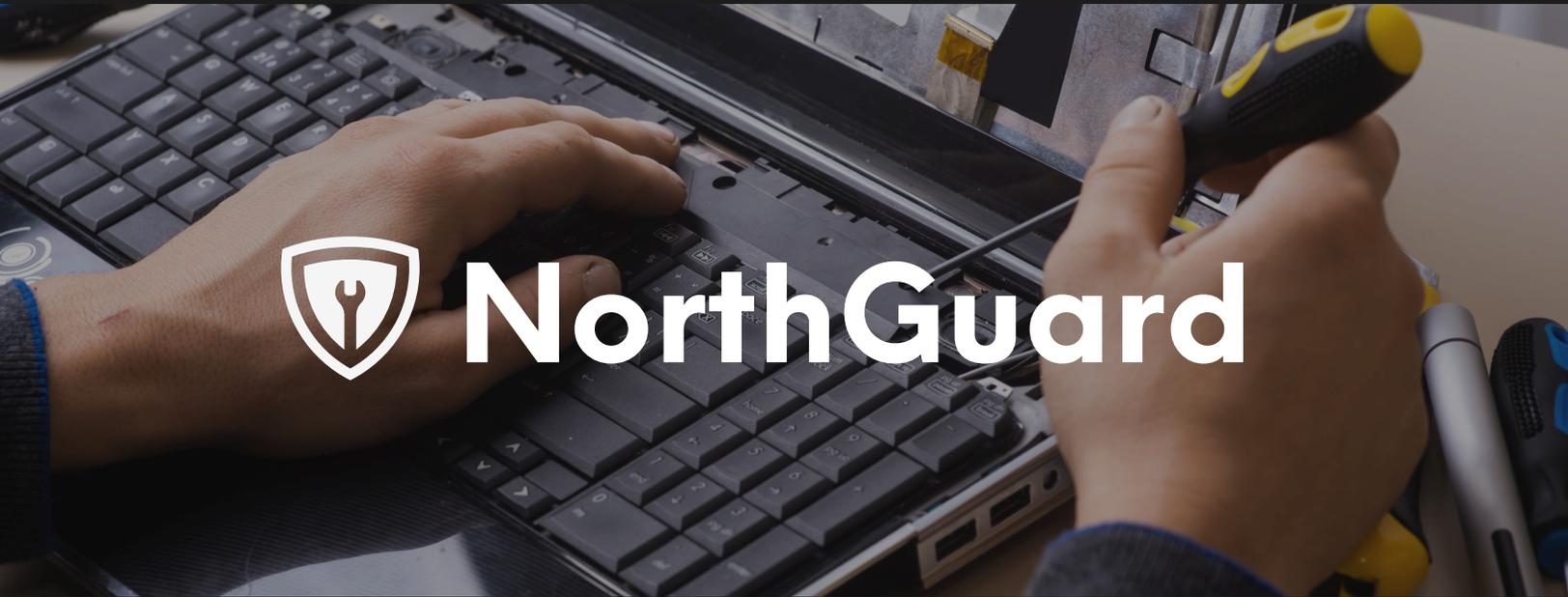
S.No.	Product Details	Quantity	List Price	Total
1	<b>Lenovo Chromebook 100e Gen 5 83T7S0A800</b>  11.6" Non-Touch MTK Kompanio 540 8 GB 64 SSD Wi-Fi 6E RZ616 2x2 AX & Bluetooth® 5.3 ZTE Bulk Packaging	2500	\$ 350.00	\$ 875,000.00
2	<b>NorthGuard 3yr NT ADP NG-NT-3YR</b>  UZBL - Aircase Included Unlimited Claims No Deductible	2500	\$ 80.00	\$ 200,000.00
3	<b>Google Chrome License CROSSWDISEDUNEW</b>	2500	\$ 31.00	\$ 77,500.00
4	<b>Standard Shipping SVC-SHP-STD</b>	1	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
			Sub Total	<b>\$ 1,152,500.00</b>
			Tax	\$ 0.00
			Adjustment	\$ 0.00
			<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,152,500.00</b>

**Terms and Conditions**

Northstar K12 Inc. accepts the following payment methods: ACH, Check, and Credit Card. A 3% convenience fee will apply to all payments made by credit card. Standard payment terms are NET 30 from the date of invoice, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.

Northstar K12 Inc. reserves the right to assign any order, at its sole discretion, to one of our Vendor Assignment of Funds Programs. These programs are designed to better accommodate the procurement and funding processes often required by educational and government institutions. In such cases, the remittance address may change and additional documentation may be required to complete the assignment.

If your order is selected for assignment, a representative from our Procurement Team will contact you with detailed instructions and any necessary paperwork. Our aim is to ensure a seamless experience while aligning with institutional purchasing policies and timelines. For any questions regarding payment terms or fund assignment, please contact our procurement team at support@nsk12.com



# NorthGuard

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- ✓ Mechanical Failure
- ✓ Accidental Damage
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- ✓ Two Way Shipping
- ✓ Battery\*
- ✓ AC Adapter\*
- ✓ Vehicle Damage
- ✓ Repair Priority
- ✓ No Deductibles
- ✓ Theft/Loss\*\*

\*Up to 10% of covered devices  
\*\*Up to 2% with a valid police report  
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### Fixed Price

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### Shipping Included

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For all other customers, click below to convert your quote to an order.

**Convert Quote to Order**

QUOTE #	QUOTE DATE	QUOTE REFERENCE	CUSTOMER #	GRAND TOTAL
PTKV779	2/13/2026	100E G4 N100 TOUCH	0333875	<b>\$1,192,500.00</b>

## QUOTE DETAILS

ITEM	QTY	CDW#	UNIT PRICE	EXT. PRICE
<a href="#">Google Chrome Education Upgrade</a> Mfg. Part#: CROS-SW-DIS-EDU-NEW Electronic distribution - NO MEDIA Contract: MARKET	2500	5988499	\$30.00	\$75,000.00
<a href="#">Lenovo 100e Chromebook Gen 4 - 11.6" - Intel N-series - N100 - 8 GB RAM - 6</a> Mfg. Part#: 83G80001US-WSL Contract: MARKET	2500	7786458	\$309.00	\$772,500.00
<a href="#">UZBL Shell Air Style Case for 100e 100w Gen4 Chromebook</a> Mfg. Part#: LAP7192 Contract: MARKET	2500	7981945	\$21.00	\$52,500.00
<b>NEW ITEM</b> Mfg. Part#: NEW-ITEM WGS/ZTE Asset Tagging Casing Consolidated/multipack packaging Last-mile to 1 location Asset Data Reporting Project Management Contract: Standard Pricing	2500	NEW-ITEM	\$12.00	\$30,000.00
<a href="#">Lenovo 3 Year Depot Support with ADP Warranty (School Year Term)</a> Mfg. Part#: 5PSON75610 UNSPSC: 81112307 Electronic distribution - NO MEDIA Contract: MARKET	2500	4473777	\$105.00	\$262,500.00

<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	\$1,192,500.00
<b>SHIPPING</b>	\$0.00
<b>SALES TAX</b>	\$0.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,192,500.00</b>

PURCHASER BILLING INFO	DELIVER TO
<b>Billing Address:</b> AURORA EAST SCHOOLS ACCTS PAYABLE 310 SEMINARY AVENUE AURORA, IL 60505-4700 <b>Phone:</b> (630) 299-5556 <b>Payment Terms:</b> NET 30 Days-Govt/Ed	<b>Shipping Address:</b> AURORA EAST SCHOOLS ANDREW ALLEN 310 SEMINARY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER AURORA, IL 60505-5007 <b>Shipping Method:</b> OMNI LOG 3-5 DAY
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<b>Opportunity</b>	OPP23345
<b>Co-Op</b>	TIPS #230105

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417 5th St  
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United States

Item	MPN	Description	Qty	Rate	Total
UNT-RyA-0001	83T60009US	Lenovo 100e Gen 5 11.6" Non-Touch Chromebook MediaTek Kompanio 540 8gb RAM 64gb Storage	2,500	\$370.27	\$925,675.00
Hero 4-Year Plan (Non-Touch)		4 Year HERO Accidental Damage Protection (ADP) powered by CBP.com for Non-Touch Devices	2,500	\$99.00	\$247,500.00
LIC-SNG-9986	CROSSWDISEDU NEW	Google Management Console License for Education	2,500	\$29.99	\$74,975.00
Zero Touch Enrollment		Zero Touch Enrollment	2,500	\$0.00	\$0.00

<b>Subtotal</b>	\$1,248,150.00
<b>Tax Total (%)</b>	\$0.00
<b>Shipping Total</b>	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	\$1,248,150.00

1-year warranty on all parts and devices against manufacturer defects. See details at [Chromebookparts.com/warranty](https://chromebookparts.com/warranty)

We accept credit cards as a form of payment. Please be aware that a 3% surcharge will be added to the total for credit card payments. Check or Electronic payments are accepted.



## Parts For Credit Program & Device Buybacks

Schools can receive offers such as **\$5 per damaged or defective motherboard**, along with credit for used devices. Connect with your CBP representative to learn more, and start adding credit back into your budget today.