

**Meeting Date:** January 21, 2025 **Meeting Type:** Regular

Item Category: Future Consent Item Primary Contact: Dr. Roosevelt Nivens

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Item Name: DISCUSSION OF RFP #250007822 FOR NETWORK FIBER AND CONNECTION EQUIPMENT FOR SCHOOLS/SITES OPENING IN 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

**Item Summary:** The purpose of RFP #250007822 is to select vendors that will provide network fiber and connection equipment for schools/sites opening in the 2026-2027 school year. This type of award follows E-Rate requirements and is beneficial to the district as it provides the district with competitive bids that meet our technical requirements.

E-Rate is a FCC program that makes telecommunications and information services more affordable for schools by utilizing Universal Service Funds to provide a discount on telecommunications, internet access, and internal network connections.

**Recommendation:** Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the selected vendor for the purchase of network equipment for schools opening in the 2026-2027 school year.

Policy Reference: CH (Local)

**Leadership Definition Alignment:** Plan for Success

Strategic Plan Alignment: N/A

**Currently Budgeted?** ⊠ Yes □ No □ No Budgetary Impact

Completion or Implementation Timeline: July 2026