

Purchase Request #4
Regular Board Meeting February 23, 2016
Consideration of Approval to Renew
Annual Contract for Apple Hardware and Software

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve a renewal of the contract for Apple Hardware and Software from Apple Computer Inc. for the District.

BACKGROUND

Reference Number 2777, was issued in January 2007 to track the volume of spend for purchases of Apple Hardware and Software on behalf of the District. The Board approved the original contract with Apple Computer Inc. in January 2007.

The equipment purchased with this contract consists of Apple desktop computers, laptop computers, software and other related Apple hardware such as Apple TV's for shared viewing and iPad's.

Apple Computer Inc. is the sole provider of a Collegiate Purchasing program to provide educational discounts for software and hardware and is in compliance with the competitive procurement methods set forth in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

Numerous departments at Collin College use Apple hardware and software for instruction. Being heavily used in both the music and art departments, Apple is becoming the industry standard for graduates. There are also a number of staff who prefer the Macintosh platform while iPad's are being used for registration, instruction, student support and energy management. Without this equipment, support and software, different platforms and instruction would need to be implemented resulting in students not being fully prepared for industry after completing the course.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

The estimated annual expenditure for this request is \$250,000.00. This expenditure will be funded by the Computer and Media Equipment 2015-2016 operating budget and subsequent year budgets, subject to Board approval.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

Term of Contract: 2/28/2016 through 2/27/2017

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