



**NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Esther Evikana, President
Members of the Board

THROUGH: David Vadiveloo, Superintendent *DSVadiveloo*

FROM: Barry Broome, Maintenance & Operations Director *BB*

DATE: May 12, 2026

**SUBJECT: Purchase over \$50K -
Evolv Detection Solutions**

Memo No. SB26-132
(Discussion Item)

NSBSD Policy Manual:

BP 3300, Expenditures/Expending Authority: The Superintendent or designee may purchase supplies, materials, and equipment in accordance with law.

BP 3311, Bids: The district shall purchase equipment, supplies and services on a competitive bidding basis when required by law and whenever it appears to be in the best interest of the district to do so. All bids under federal awards must be made in accordance with the standards set forth in 2 CFR 200.320.

BP 3312, Contracts: The Superintendent of designee may enter into contracts and memoranda of agreement (MOA's) on behalf of the District. All contracts and MOA's with a dollar value of \$50,000 or greater must be approved by the School Board.

BP 5131.7, Weapons and Dangerous Instruments: Students shall not bring to, possess, or use deadly weapons, firearms, dangerous instruments, or their replicas in school buildings. On school grounds or district-provided transportation, at any school or school school-supported activity away from school, unless written permission has been previously obtained from the Superintendent or designee specifically authorizing that possession or use. Students who violate this policy are subject to disciplinary action in accordance with district policy and procedures. School employees may confiscate weapons or dangerous instruments on school grounds or at school-related or school-sponsored activities in order to maintain discipline and to protect the welfare and safety of students, staff, and the public.

NSBSD Strategic Plan Summary:

7.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship: Standardize high-functioning, efficient, student-focused operations

Issue Summary:

The Board and administration are committed to safer schools. Behavioral incidents and concerns about the presence of weapons indicate a need to strengthen safety infrastructure to ensure a safer environment for students, staff, and visitors.





Nationwide, schools are using screening procedures involving detection devices at a designated entry point. These detectors allow for controlled access while maintaining a level of privacy and minimizing intrusiveness.

Advanced AI enhanced equipment is now available that enables efficient, touchless screening, helping to detect potential threats while allowing individuals to enter naturally during daily operations and school events.

The District has been in communication with the Anchorage PD in relation to mobile detection devices being used at ASD schools. These mobile devices can be used at any site and moved randomly across the district to increase the random search capability of the district.

The administration sees this detection device as an extension of a multi-level response to school safety and security that has been a focus of the board and administration for several years.

Background:

Previous safety concerns and confirmed policy violations have made further proactive safety measure necessary in our schools. In response, the District wishes to implement the use of advanced mobile AI-enabled screening equipment to support safer and more efficient entry into school facilities—especially during the winter months when conditions can complicate traditional security processes.

The Evolv Express Concealed Weapons Detection (CWD) system provides a discreet and mobile approach to security, minimizing the visual impact of screening while maintaining a strong safety presence. This technology uses advanced sensors and artificial intelligence to detect a wide range of concealed weapons and potential threats. This safety measure has been successfully implemented on a rotational basis in the Anchorage School District’s schools for two years.

As a touchless screening solution, it allows individuals to enter facilities more quickly and efficiently—operating at speeds significantly faster than traditional methods—while maintaining a high level of effectiveness. Implementing this type of system supports a proactive approach to safeguarding students, staff, and school property without creating bottlenecks or unnecessary delays.

Length of Contract:

The purchase of equipment includes a software subscription and warranty of four (4) years.

Funding Source and Contract Amount:

Account Code: 100.410.300.000.510 and 100.420.300.00.510

Contract amount Total: \$89,386.66

Equipment Purchase: \$43,199.14

Software for four (4) years on renewal: \$46,187.52

Grant Funding:

N/A

Compliance with BP 3311.

In compliance with BP 3311, Maintenance and Operations requested quotes for mobile metal detection devices for preventative safety measures from entering schools. Technology in this field is dramatically different and can be proprietary. One contractor responded that they were capable of providing AI detection that was mobile, making it easier to move between schools but also keeping confidentiality of the students.



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