

### **ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT**

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve additional funds for the purchase of supplies and equipment for district science labs from VWR International Inc.

### **BACKGROUND**

VWR currently provides supplies and equipment for district science labs. Items purchased from this vendor range from refrigerators and incubators to common lab consumables such as dissection specimens, microbiological media, and different chemicals.

Reference number (REF) 3013 was issued to track the volume of spend on district science labs' supplies and equipment.

VWR International has a contract through the E&I Cooperative Services cooperative contracts program to provide supplies and equipment for district science labs, (Contract Number CNR-01459). It complies with the competitive procurement requirements outlined in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted under Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code.

### **IMPACT OF THIS ACTION**

The additional funding will provide supplies and equipment for district science labs to support lab start-up programs at the Farmersville and Celina campuses.

### **BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)**

The Board has approved a total spend authorization of \$300,000. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$700,000, which is budgeted in the Science Department's FY21 operating budget and 2017 CIP FF&E budgets.

### **MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE**

The contract term is September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021.

### **RESOURCE PERSONNEL**

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