



Executive Summary Board of Education Meeting

DATE: March 5, 2026

TOPIC: PowerSchool Multi Year Contract Agreement

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Recommended for:

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

Purpose/Background:

PowerSchool Inc. is the major player in the education world and Lincolnwood School District relies on this company for many products. Powerschool is the provider of the District's Student Information System (SIS), which houses data that can be accessed by District staff, students, and parents. PowerSchool Enrollment is the integrated registration system that the District uses for online student registration. Through this system, data that is entered by parents/guardians before the school year, is stored by the system, approved, and uploaded into the District's PowerSchool Student Information System (SIS). Finally, Schoology has been in use for over a decade as the Learning Management System, to manage the communication and workflow between teachers, classes, and the students at Lincoln Hall.

Every year, when reviewing these renewals, the department does everything we can to keep costs as low as possible. Over the last 24 months, we have seen inflation across the board affecting hardware products, software subscriptions, and nearly every item we rely on.

One way to help mitigate these increases is by working with vendors to enter multi-year contract agreements. Earlier this year, the department began researching this approach and identified potential savings. Historically, the District has experienced annual price increases of approximately 6–8% across the Powerschool line.

Fiscal Impact:

After discussions with PowerSchool and reviewing long-term agreement options, we identified opportunities for savings by entering into a five-year agreement. The District has the opportunity to reduce the average annual increase or uplift from approximately 7% to 3%. When looking at all three products together, a long-term contract would reduce year-over-year increases and result in savings of close to \$20,000 over five years.

	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	Total
1 YR							
PS ENROLLMENT	\$13,485.61	\$14,429.60	\$15,439.67	\$16,520.45	\$17,676.88	\$18,914.27	\$82,980.88
PS SIS	\$9,456.54	\$10,118.50	\$10,826.79	\$11,584.67	\$12,395.59	\$13,263.29	\$58,188.84
	\$22,942.15	\$24,548.10	\$26,266.47	\$28,105.12	\$30,072.48	\$32,177.55	\$141,169.72
5-YR							
PS ENROLLMENT	\$13,485.61	\$13,890.18	\$14,306.88	\$14,736.09	\$15,178.17	\$15,633.52	\$73,744.84
PS SIS	\$9,456.54	\$9,740.24	\$10,032.44	\$10,333.42	\$10,643.42	\$10,962.72	\$51,712.24
	\$22,942.15	\$23,630.41	\$24,339.33	\$25,069.51	\$25,821.59	\$26,596.24	\$125,457.08
Savings	\$0.00	\$917.69	\$1,927.14	\$3,035.61	\$4,250.89	\$5,581.31	\$15,712.64

Recommendation:

The Finance Committee members in attendance supported the Administration’s recommendation to the Board of Education to approve the presented multi-year contracts for PowerSchool products for SIS Maintenance and Support, and Registration Maintenance from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2031.