

Box Elder School District

Request for Budget for Air Conditioning Upgrades

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an additional budget for Air Conditioning Upgrades at Bear River Middle School.

Background: Many of the older buildings in our District lack air conditioning throughout the building. During the start of school and end of the school year, the interior temperature of these buildings can rise to uncomfortable levels. An engineering analysis showed that to air condition the entire building, it would be approximately \$1,500,000. This project would involve upgrading the entire electrical supply to the building as there is insufficient electricity to currently available. The equipment needed to upgrade the electrical supply is a long lead item and must be ordered from Rocky Mountain Power. It is requested that the project be started now to ensure completion in the 2026-27 school year.

Policy Implications: None

Financial Implications: For the 2025-26 school year the cost to add air conditioning to Bear River Middle School would be approximately \$1,500,000.

Staff Implications: None at this time.