### ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves a contract to purchase industrial training equipment and curriculum from Technical Laboratory Systems for the Industrial Automation and the Automotive/Collision Departments at the Technical Campus.

## BACKGROUND

The Industrial Automation department has previously purchased Amatrol based training equipment from Technical Laboratory Systems and needs to add additional equipment to their training system for the programs at the Technical Campus. This supplier can also provide other manufacturers' training systems and equipment for the Automotive and Collision department.

Reference (REF) Number 4337 has been issued to track the volume of spend for industrial training equipment and curriculum procured on behalf of the Technical Campus Industrial Automation and Automotive/Collision Departments.

Technical Laboratory Systems has a contract through the Choice Partners cooperative purchasing program to provide industrial training equipment and curriculum for advanced manufacturing, industrial maintenance, mechatronics, welding, renewable energy, and engineering (Contract number 18/056KD-61). The contract follows the competitive procurement requirements outlined in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted through Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code.

#### IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

The Industrial Automation department has previously purchased Amatrol based training equipment from Technical Laboratory Systems and needs to add additional equipment to their training system for the programs at the Technical Campus. This supplier can also provide other manufacturers' training systems and equipment for the Automotive and Collision department at a discounted price from other suppliers.

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

This purchasing request is for spend authorization of \$200,000, which is budgeted in the Industrial Automation and Automotive and Collision departments' FY21 operating budget and subsequent year's budgets subject to Board approval.

#### MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term will be three years beginning January 1, 2021 through August 31, 2021.

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