

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education
Members

DATE: January 21, 2026

NUMBER: 26-080

FR: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: SHI Regionwide Verkada
Camera and Vape
Sensor Purchase

STRATEGIC PLAN/BOARD GOAL:

Goal 2: Operational Improvement

ABSTRACT:

Board approval is required for services that exceed \$50,000.

ISSUE:

At issue is for the Board to approve the purchase of Verkada cameras and vape sensors from SHI for a total amount not to exceed \$595,320.95, pending donated funds.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION:

Current Districtwide cameras are failing, obsolete, and in need of full replacement. The new Kisimjigutug School had this system installed after being built. Napaaqtugmiut School, KMHS, and JNES have a very small handful of cameras and vape sensors. The Alaska Technical Center has fully funded this system with a grant and is in the process of installing it. Multiple regionwide competitive quotes were sought prior to moving forward with Kisimjigutug School's system and purchase via SHI.

The systems provide full exterior camera security as well as interior, common area, and entrance/exit security. The vape sensors alert the Administration when someone is vaping.

Ambler	\$ 56,881.80
Buckland	\$ 69,309.70
Deering	\$ 43,445.80
Kiana	\$ 54,518.75
Kobuk	\$ 35,259.50
Kotzebue External	\$ 57,507.40
Kotzebue - JNES	\$ 38,452.40
Kotzebue - KMHS	\$ 29,173.20
Noatak	\$ 50,949.30
Noorvik	\$ 49,000.00
Selawik	\$ 64,063.70
Shungnak	\$ 46,759.40
TOTAL	\$ 595,320.95

FUNDING:

Donated funds: These items are not currently budgeted and will not be purchased unless the District receives donated funds sufficient to cover the cost.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the purchase of Verkada cameras and vape sensors from SHI for a total amount not to exceed \$595,320.95, pending donated funds as presented;
2. Do not approve the purchase of the camera and vape sensors as presented;
3. Take no final action.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends Board approval of the purchase of Verkada cameras and vape sensors from SHI for a total amount not to exceed \$595,320.95, pending the donated funds as presented.