

Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District 103

Memo

To: Board of Education
From: Patrick Palbicke
CC: Dr. Scott Warren
Date: July 11, 2024

Re: EPA Clean Heavy Duty Vehicles Grant Program

The district administration would like to provide a brief update on our participation in the ISBE statewide application for the EPA Clean Heavy Duty Vehicles Grant Program:

All required documentation has been submitted to ISBE, and they are currently evaluating the timing for the bid request from electric bus manufacturers. Each bus is estimated to cost between \$350,000 and \$400,000. The grant will cover up to 75% of this cost (up to \$280,000 per bus), and there is an additional IRS rebate of \$40,000 per bus.

The district intends to purchase 4 buses through this grant. To meet the grant's requirement that buses must be owned and retired from service, we are exploring the purchase of buses from another district.

Funding is also available for infrastructure, such as charging equipment, which we plan to apply for. ISBE is expected to release the bid request in late fall, and we anticipate having more detailed information by November. This will enable the board to make informed decisions on how to proceed, with all relevant financial details available at that time.