Zionsville Community Schools

Board of School Trustees Meeting "Item for Consideration"

New Business Item 7b • May 12, 2025

Request to Purchase: 1:1 Devices

Category:	
Human Resources, Personnel/Staffing Finance, Budgeting, Accounting Facilities, Transportation, Nutrition	Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment Student Services Board Policy Community Relations Other
Type of Board of Trustees Consideration Sought:	
Action Discussion Report	X

Facts of this Matter:

This recommendation comes to you as staff continue preparations for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year. As previously reviewed in Fall 2024, this recommendation supports the plan of providing 1:1 Chromebook resources at ZCHS. ZCS technology leaders have been attentive to impending tariff increases to computer products in recent weeks. We have also been monitoring the inventory of state-side devices with our vendors that are not subject to tariffs as they are already in the country. All vendors within the educational space are running low on state-side devices, so we recommend purchasing these devices ahead of schedule.

Objective POSITIVES related to this item or approach:

Purchasing now ensures we have non-tariff-based purchasing and allows technology staff additional flexibility with our computer units for the expansion of the 1:1 program.

Objective NEGATIVES related to this item or approach:

N/A

Opinion/Recommendation:

It is the recommendation of the technology department to purchase 625 HP Fortis Chromebook computers for the expansion of the 1:1 program.

Financial Implications, if any:

The financial impact would be \$180,000 utilizing the District Technology Purchase Plan within the Education Fund. Konica Minolta was our top quote at a cost of \$257.70 per device and \$30.30 per Chrome Management per unit.

Suggested Wording for a Motion, if any:

I move to authorize the technology department to purchase 625 new HP Fortis Chromebooks for the 1:1 program at a cost of \$180,000.00.