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Superintendent of Schools

To: RIMSD 41 Board of Education
From: Dr. Sharon Williams
Cabinet Champion: Troy Bevans, IT Director
Date: May 12th, 2026
Re: Cynet 360 Elite Cybersecurity Platform Purchase

To maintain the District's cybersecurity posture and remain in compliance with the requirements of our cybersecurity insurance policy, continued use of advanced Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) software is necessary. EDR tools play a vital role in detecting, investigating, and responding to threats on endpoint devices such as laptops, desktops, and virtual machines.

After evaluating current cybersecurity needs and available solutions, the District is transitioning from Bitdefender GravityZone to Cynet 360 Elite. Cynet 360 Elite provides an integrated, all-in-one platform that combines endpoint protection, detection and response, automated remediation, and centralized monitoring. This approach enhances visibility across the environment, improves response times, and reduces reliance on multiple separate security tools.

It is recommended that the Rock Island-Milan School District #41 Board of Education approve the purchase of Cynet 360 Elite in the total amount of \$128,687.70, from Cyber Protect LLC, 13216 Herbert Avenue, Warren, MI 48089. This will be covered by the Technology Department budget and will be valid for a three-year term.

Investment Period: July 1st, 2026 through June 30th, 2029
Total Investment: \$128,687.70
Funding Source: Technology Dept. Budget