



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: January 20, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Purchase of Staff Computer Upgrades

PRESENTER: Brooks Moore, Chief Technology Officer

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Per Board Policy CH (Local), any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place.
- The district has been evaluating solutions to replace aging staff computer devices and improve instructional and operational efficiency. Current staff devices are reaching the end of their usable lifecycle, resulting in increased maintenance needs, slower performance, and reduced compatibility with updated instructional and productivity tools. Additionally, the district's current staff devices are nearing the end of their three-year lease, which expires in May.
- Over the past several months, the district has piloted Chromebooks with selected staff groups across multiple campuses. The pilot focused on assessing:
 - Performance in daily instructional and administrative tasks
 - Compatibility with district-approved applications
 - User experience and workflow efficiency
 - Device management and support requirements
- Pilot participants have reported positive results, including improved device responsiveness, seamless integration with cloud-based tools, and a smooth transition to the new operating system. The district is currently preparing a comprehensive training plan to ensure staff are well-equipped to navigate and use the new operating system effectively. The use of Chromebooks instead of laptops will have a positive budget impact.
- The district remains sensitive to the fact that some positions rely on Windows-based applications to fulfill essential duties. To address this, the district has conducted an analysis to determine which staff members will require a Windows device.
- The Board first discussed this item at the December 16, 2025 Regular Board meeting.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

The hardware cost for this equipment will be paid from budgeted funds in the 2025–2026 General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

Dell Quote

Lenovo Financial Services - CDWG Quote

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends approval of staff computer upgrades through (1) a one-time purchase from Dell in the amount of \$150,000, and (2) a Lenovo Financial Services lease through CDW-G with annual payments of \$175,164 for each of the next three years, as presented.