

Purchase Request # 6
Regular Board Meeting January 22, 2019
Consideration of Approval of Additional Funds for Apple
Branded Computer Systems, Accessories and Related Services

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure of additional funds for the purchase of Apple branded computer systems, software, accessories and related services from Apple Inc. for the District.

BACKGROUND

The equipment purchased through this contract consists of Apple desktop and laptop computers, software, accessories and other Apple hardware, such as Apple TV and iPads.

Apple Inc. is the sole provider of a Collegiate Purchasing Program to provide educational discounts for Apple software and hardware. Apple Inc. has a contract through the Texas Department of Information Resources purchasing program, Contract Number DIR-TSO-3789, Apple Branded Products, and is in compliance with the competitive procurement requirements set forth in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted through Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code.

Reference (REF) Number 2777 was issued to track the volume of spend for Apple computer systems, accessories and related services for the District. Tracking of spend volume is accomplished through the Purchasing Department's eProcurement system. The system is set to automatically notify the contract owner when 85% of the approved expenditure is reached, which triggers the contract owner to analyze current and future spend.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

Apple hardware and software is used for instruction, student support and energy management, as well as other areas of the District. This contract provides equipment, support and software which provides students with the knowledge, skills and experience to use the equipment they will encounter in the workforce.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

The Board approved the original contract in August 2018 for a total amount of \$ 250,000.00. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$ 175,000.00 which is budgeted in various department's FY19 operating budget for the products and services described and in accordance with Board Policy CF (Local) and Texas Education Code Section 44.031.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The term of contract is September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019

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