



## Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

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TOPIC: FirstNet Product Information

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### Recommended for:

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

### Purpose/Background:

Staff and student safety across the District is a top priority for all schools on Campus. During this school year, our Administration team has had the opportunity to learn and prepare for events that might include power outages, fire, weather related events and even times where the District might need to relocate. Reliable communication with each other and our community is a vital part of these processes.

FirstNet is a nationwide, high-speed wireless broadband network with technologies and features specifically built for public safety. The FirstNet network was designed for first responders all over the country. Firefighters, EMS personnel, law enforcement, 9-1-1 communicators and emergency managers all can have access to FirstNet, as well as vetted members of our school community.

FirstNet, which is built by AT&T, provides much more than just another cell network. FirstNet prioritizes the traffic of its subscribers, providing them with a reliable, 24/7 unthrottled network in which to use apps, devices and solutions, every day and during every emergency, to ensure that their messages and communications take top priority over the general public.

The District has been investigating how to improve our communications during situations and by working with FirstNet, we have come up to the following solution. The District will purchase a smartphone device for each building, keeping them located at the schools and Administration Building. In the event of any emergency or disaster, those phones would be utilized across the District or wherever we might need to

relocate students or staff members. These devices would be equipped with a FirstNet plan that features unthrottled data, unlimited talk, unlimited texting, and complete priority access to the FirstNet network. These devices will also be equipped with Push to Talk applications that can be used between the devices as well as installed mobile applications used by District personnel to access emergency information or send out communications.

**Costs:**

<b>FirstNet Monthly Service Charge (State of IL)</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Monthly Price</b>	<b>Total Monthly Price</b>
<b>FirstNet Unlimited Smartphone Plan <i>Un-Throttled, truly unlimited talk, text, data plan, with priority</i></b>	<b>4</b>	<b>\$38.49</b>	<b>\$153.96</b>
FirstNet Unlimited Smartphone w Tethering Plan <i>Un-Throttled, truly unlimited talk, text, data plan, with priority</i>	0	\$43.49	\$0.00
FirstNet Unlimited Feature Phone Plan <i>Unlimited talk and text with priority (PPU Data \$10 per GB)</i>	0	\$22.99	\$0.00
FirstNet Unlimited Data Connect Plan <i>Un-Throttled, truly unlimited data plan, with priority</i>	0	\$34.99	\$0.00
Enhanced Push to Talk Add-on Feature	<b>4</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>
Enhanced Push to Talk Standalone (Feature-No Voice/Text)	0	\$15.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Monthly Service Charge</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>\$161.96</b>
<b>FirstNet Equipment Charges (State of IL)</b>			
<b>Equipment Charges</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>One Time Cost</b>	<b>Total One Time Cost</b>
iPhone 12/12 Mini (64GB)	0	\$0.99	\$0.00
<b>iPhone 13 (128GB)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>\$99.99</b>	<b>\$399.96</b>
iPhone 13 Mini (128GB)	0	\$178.99	\$0.00
iPhone 13 Pro (128GB)	0	\$448.99	\$0.00
iPhone 13 Pro Max (128GB)	0	\$548.99	\$0.00
iPhone 14 (128GB)	0	\$199.99	\$0.00
iPhone 14 Plus (128GB)	0	\$448.99	\$0.00
iPhone 14 Pro (128GB)	0	\$548.99	\$0.00
iPhone 14 Pro Max (128GB)	0	\$648.99	\$0.00
Sonim XP5s	0	\$0.99	\$0.00
Nighthawk M6 5G Mobile Hotspot Router	0	\$224.99	\$0.00
iPad 9th Gen (64GB 2021)	0	\$384.99	\$0.00
iPad Mini (64GB 2021)	0	\$574.99	\$0.00
iPad Air 5th Gen (64GB 2022)	0	\$674.99	\$0.00
iPad Pro 11" (128GB 2021)	0	\$924.99	\$0.00
iPad Pro 12.9" (128GB 2021)	0	\$1,224.99	\$0.00
<b>Total One-Time Equipment Fees</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>\$399.96</b>

**Fiscal Impact:**

\$1,943.52 per year for data, talk and text plans. One payment of \$399.96 for the 4 total devices, one present in each building.

**Recommendation:**

The Administrative team is looking for guidance from the Finance Committee, on a recommendation to continue to work with FirstNet and the District's Legal Counsel to solidify the proposals and contracts and present this at a future Finance Committee meeting.