

## **College Station Independent School District**

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**MEMORANDUM** 

Mike Martindale, Superintendent To:

Amy Drozd, Chief Financial Office From:

June 10, 2021 Date:

Purchase of student laptops for Career and Technology (CTE) programs Subject:

Agenda Item: J-3.

## **Background**

College Station ISD has expanded CTE courses to include grades 7 through 12. These course expansions have an instructional need for classroom computers for use by the both the teachers and students. New courses for the 2021-2022 school year that need computer sets include the following: Principals of Law, Cyber Citizenship, and Principals of Applied Engineering. These new courses plus the increased demand in courses previously offered such as Agricultural Science, Culinary, and Family Consumer Science support the need for additional classroom computer sets.

CTE courses generate weighted funding within the foundation school program for the General Fund. A percentage of the funds generated must be spent directly on CTE program. CTE has allotted funds within their 2020-2021 provided budget for the computer needs for these programs. Purchasing in the month of June will allow for delivery and setup for the start of school in August 2021.

A quote was solicited and received from Avinext for 500 laptops using the Purchasing Cooperative DIR contract HP DIR-TSO-4159 in the amount of \$157,000. The Purchasing Cooperative DIR contracts have been competitively bid and meet the competitive bid requirements.

It is the recommendation of Ms. Carmella Shafer, Director of Purchasing, Mr. Kevin Ross, Director of CTE, and Mr. David Hutchison, Director of Technology, that College Station ISD purchase the computers from Avinext for a total of \$157,000 from the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget under the Purchasing Cooperative DIR contract HP DIR-TSO-4159.

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the College Station Independent School District Board of Trustees approve the purchase of computers from Avinext using the Purchasing Cooperative DIR contract HP DIR-TSO-4159 in the amount of \$157,000 using the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget.