




# College Station Independent School District

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## MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Eddie Coulson, Superintendent

From: Mike Ball, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations 

Date: February 16, 2007

Subject: Consider responses to Request For Bids for passenger minivans and cargo vans.

Agenda Item: L-4

Board Priority/  
District Goal: Priority 3, Goal 4

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## BACKGROUND

The Ford Motor Company has discontinued the production of Ford Freestar vans. The Board had previously authorized the purchase of these vans.

A request for bids was developed and advertised to the public for comparable vans. The hope was that there might be a van available on a dealer lot at a competitive price. That proved not to be the case. During the time the bid was circulated to the public, the State of Texas approved a new State contract for vehicles.

The two bids received for vehicles are both in excess of the cost of vans available through the new State purchasing contract.

## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of College Station Independent School District consider rejecting all bids for the purchase of passenger minivans and cargo vans.