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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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TO: MARK PANTEL  
FROM: CHRIS SPEIER   
SUBJECT: DATA CABLING AND SUPPLIES  
DATE: 10/9/2007  
CC: CLARK EALY

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As part of the May 2007 Bond package the Technology Department is both adding to and upgrading our current data cabling system. In order to properly manage and maintain our new district wide projector deployment additional data cabling has to be run to each classroom. An upgrade to the fiber optic cabling within our buildings is also required to both maximize the effectiveness of our networking equipment and allow for future growth of our data network.

The Technology Department recommends standardizing on Panduit cabling and supplies as they are renowned for their high quality. Installation of Panduit certified products by a Panduit Certified Installer will give the district a 25 year warranty on all work performed. While we found it most effective to bid the cabling installation labor, we found it most cost effective to purchase the Panduit cable directly from DIR contract via their listed DIR distributor, Anixter. Purchasing the cable directly will allow the district to save nearly 20% in the overall cost of the cabling over purchasing it through an installer. It is the Technology Departments plan to purchase the cabling directly from DIR contract and work with a Panduit Certified Installer to do the installation, giving a 25 year warranty on all Panduit products.

It is my recommendation that we submit quote #03441 based off the DIR contract DIR-SDD-271 from Anixter in the amount of \$70,080.50 to our board for approval. Thank you.



Chris Speier

Director of Technology