

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**EDUCATION** 

SUBJECT: WIRELESS ACCESS POINTS

DATE: APRIL 18, 2017

TYPE: ACTION REQUIRED

On November 5, 2013, voters approved the School Facilities and Technology levy. One of the technology projects that are funded by this special levy is the implementation of a wireless network for all schools. We have been able to create a wireless network using Tech Levy funds. However, through the use of Universal Service Funds (E-Rate) we are now able to finalize the wireless network within the district. The E-Rate funds will allow us to have a fully robust wireless network without weak wireless areas. The total cost of the project is \$105,472.43. The school district's share is \$62,808.87. The Universal Service Funds (E-Rate) pays the remainder. E-Rate is directly invoiced for their portion.

We are seeking approval to purchase the necessary wireless network hardware which includes wireless access points and licensing. The estimated school district cost is (including tax) is \$62,808.87.

## Recommendation:

We recommend the board <u>move to approve the purchase of network wireless</u> hardware in the amount of approximately \$105,472.43.