

ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: July 9, 2012

AGENDA ITEM No. 12-07-11

ACTION ITEM (Y/N) N

SUBJECT: One-to-One Initiative Update

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ATTACHMENTS: None

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is to provide a status report on the One-to-One Computing initiative.

BACKGROUND: On May 14, 2012, the Board of Education approved staff recommendations to appropriate revenues from the County's quarter cent sales tax for the purpose of laptop computers for all K-12 teachers and students in grades 6-12. On May 29, 2012 the Board approved the financing plan which was subsequently approved by the Board of County Commissioners on June 19, 2012. On June 22, 2012 the Board of Education approved revisions to several technology related items. Financing through J.P. Morgan-Chase Bank was completed on June 21, 2012. The students' laptops were ordered on June 25, 2012. Staff will provide an update on wireless infrastructure development, student laptop procurement, communication plans, student backpacks and staffing for help desks.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The Board has committed funding of \$2.6 million to purchase student laptops and \$408,000 for teacher laptops.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the Board hear and discuss the staff update on the One-to-One Initiative.