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RE: Elementary Chromebook Lease Buyout

Mr. Ryan,

The district's lease for the elementary Chromebooks will terminate on June 30th, 2024. The terms of the lease currently include returning the Chromebooks back to the leasing company with the district paying for the return (packing and shipping) along with any missing or damaged units at "Fair market value"; or purchase the Chromebooks at "Fair market value". The number of Chromebooks involved in this lease is 2700 units.

The district entered into this three-year lease starting in the summer of 2021 due in part to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Due to the timing of this lease, the district was able to use Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) monies to fund the three lease payments for the elementary Chromebooks. Purchasing 2700 Chromebooks to replace the units coming off lease would be approximately $1,053,000.00 ($360.00 a unit, plus $30.00 for a Google License for each unit, $390.00 x 2700). Google currently states that the leased Chromebooks will be supported (the Google Chrome Browser) until 2029. Because the elementary schools do not assign and send Chromebooks home with students, these units are in relatively good shape.

The current "Fair market value" has been assessed to be $99.99 per unit (March 2024). Total cost of this buyout is $269,973.00. I am requesting that the Board of Education approve the buyout of the elementary Chromebooks (2700 units) from the leasing company in the amount of $269,973.00 with the decision to use 2023-24 or 2024-25 funds to be left up to the school district's administration. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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