

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Melissa K. Ambre, Director
Office of School Finance

DATE: August 28, 2017

SUBJECT: School Technology Advance Applications (STAA)

Indiana Code 20-49-6 establishes the School Technology Advancement Account within the Common School Fund. Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is available annually for the purpose of loaning money to school corporations for the purchase of computer hardware and software to be used for student instruction and for the development and implementation of innovation technology projects. If the total amount of all the requests for advancements is greater than \$5,000,000, the department ranks the requests according to the assessed valuation per pupil. School corporations with the lowest assessed valuation per pupil have priority.

Under State Board rule 511 IAC 1-2.5, the amount of advancements range from a minimum of \$20,000 to a maximum determined under the following formula:

STEP ONE: Determine the ADM of the school corporation.

STEP TWO: Divide the ADM determined under STEP ONE by 25.

STEP THREE: Multiply the amount determined under STEP TWO by \$500.

The Treasurer of the State of Indiana administers STAA loan agreements and typically establishes the following repayment schedule:

- \$ 20,000 — \$ 50,999 2 years
- \$ 51,000 — \$100,999 3 years
- \$101,000 — \$300,000 4 years
- more than \$300,000 5 years

The Office of School Finance accepted applications from June 21 through July 14, 2017. The Office received requests from 14 school corporations and 1 charter school during the application period. Based upon internal discussions regarding the 15 applications received and reviewed by the Department, we recommend that you approve 14 requests and 1 denial as listed below at the August 2, 2017, meeting of the Board. Steel City Academy, a charter school, submitted an application requesting \$78,797 and we recommend that their request be denied since charter schools are ineligible for School Technology Advancement loans.

We recommend approval of \$2,093,200 in school technology advancement loans. Because there were additional funds available for distribution, we further recommend approval of additional advancements in the amount of \$679,129 resulting in a grand total of \$2,772,329 as referenced below:

Unit Code	School Corporation Name	Amount Requested (including additional funds)	Amount Recommended
1900	Cowan Community School Corporation	\$23,190.00	\$23,190
7875	West Lafayette Community School Corporation	\$70,220.00	\$70,220
0755	Delphi Community School Corporation	\$29,850.00	\$29,850
7995	Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation	\$513,895.00	\$513,895
8115	MSD of Warren County	\$45,600.00	\$45,600
0235	Fort Wayne Community Schools	\$587,540.00	\$587,540
2305	Elkhart Community Schools	\$300,908.00	\$300,908
6260	Southwest Parke Community School Corporation	\$19,000.00	\$19,000
7200	School City of Mishawaka	\$101,900.00	\$101,900
5625	Oak Hill United School Corporation	\$54,480.00	\$54,480
7175	Penn Harris Madison School Corporation	\$214,600.00	\$214,600
4580	Hanover Community School Corporation	\$66,520.00	\$66,520
0940	West Clark Community Schools	\$199,998.00	\$199,998
1010	Greater Clark County Schools	\$610,880.00	\$544,628

Project Descriptions:

Cowan Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 30 Desktop computers

West Lafayette Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 90 Student computers
- 6 Multifunction printers
- 3 SMART boards
- 3 HDMI projectors

Delphi Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 120 Chromebooks

Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 50 Mobile Promethean boards and audio enhancement
- 20 Thinkpad carts
- 5 Tablet carts
- 41 Classroom computers
- 3 Copier/scanner/printers
- 3D Printer
- Laser printer

MSD of Warren County – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 201 Chromebooks

Fort Wayne Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 408 Student laptops
- 330 Student tablets
- 12 Laptop carts
- 76 Projectors and screens
- 20 Flat screen displays and audio
- Peripherals, cables, and cases

Elkhart Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 58 Projectors
- 58 Speakers
- Installation
- 115 Student tablets and cases

Southwest Parke Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 200 Chromebooks

School City of Mishawaka – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 28 Computers
- 3 Monitors
- 2 3D Printers
- Software
- STEM kits
- Apparatus

Oak Hill United School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- Makerspace area and materials

Penn Harris Madison School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 16 Carts (including tablets and cases)
- High lumen laser projector

Hanover Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 35 Teacher laptops

West Clark Community Schools – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 4 Carts (including laptops)
- Software
- Fiber installation

Greater Clark County Schools – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 10,611 Chromebooks