



Indiana Department of Education

Dr. Katie Jenner, Secretary of Education

MEMORANDUM

To: State Board of Education

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

Date: August 1, 2022

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 20 through July 15, 2022. The Office received requests from 7 school corporations. Based upon internal discussions regarding the 7 applications received and reviewed by the Department, we recommend that you approve the 7 requests listed on the chart below at the August 10, 2022, meeting of the Board. Our recommendation reflects the amount schools were eligible for based on the pupil enrollment count and calculated results.

We recommend approval of \$1,493,300 in school technology advancement loans. Because there were additional funds available for distribution, we further recommend approval of additional advancements in the amount of \$583,871 resulting in a grand total of \$2,077,171 as referenced below:



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Unit Code	School Corporation Name	Amount Requested (including additional funds)	Amount Recommended (including additional funds)
7230	Scott County School District 1	\$27,635.00	\$27,635.00
1900	Cowan Community Schools	\$24,716.00	\$20,996.00
7995	Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation	\$919,000.00	\$908,360.00
7175	Penn-Harris-Madison Schools	\$215,800.00	\$215,280.00
2305	Elkhart Community Schools	\$226,160.00	\$226,160.00
8115	MSD of Warren County	\$28,080.00	\$27,020.00
0235	Fort Wayne Community Schools	\$654,500.00	\$651,720.00

Project Descriptions:

Scott County School District 1 (7230) – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 100 Lenovo Chromebooks and licenses for Austin High School

Cowan Community Schools (1900) – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 85 Lenovo Chromebooks with Google Management licenses for the elementary and junior/senior high school buildings

Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation (7995) – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 33 Promethean Panels for Oakhill Elementary School
- 41 Promethean Panels for Scott Elementary School
- 33 Promethean Panels for Stockwell Elementary School
- 24 Promethean Panels for Stringtown Elementary School
- 29 Promethean Panels for Tekoppel Elementary School
- 37 Promethean Panels for Vogel Elementary School
- 32 Promethean Panels for West Terrace Elementary School

Penn-Harris-Madison School Corporation (7175) – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 8 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Bittersweet Elementary School
- 10 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Elm Road Elementary School
- 8 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Elsie Rogers Elementary School
- 11 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Horizon Elementary School
- 2 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Madison Elementary School



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- 8 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Mary Frank Elementary School
- 8 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Meadow's Edge Elementary School
- 11 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Northpoint Elementary School
- 9 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Prairie Vista Elementary School
- 8 Sphero Bolt Robot Classroom Kits for Walt Disney Elementary School

Elkhart Community Schools (2305) – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 21 VDI Licensing for Academic Lab Use for all schools by need
- 11 replacement Classroom Projectors and Installation for all schools by need
- Microsoft Select Software for all schools by need
- 150 Adobe Creative Cloud Software Licenses for Elkhart High School
- 150 Adobe Creative Cloud Software Licenses for Elkhart High School Freshman Division
- 75 Adobe Creative Cloud Software Licenses for middle schools
- Projector and Audio System for Cafeteria and Theater at Northside Middle School
- Projector and Audio System for Cafeteria and Theater at Westside Middle School
- Projector and Audio System for Cafeteria and Theater at Pierre Moran Middle School
- Projector and Audio System for Gym at Mary Beck Elementary School

MSD of Warren County (8115) – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 24 Digital Art Laptops for Seeger Memorial Jr/Sr High School

Fort Wayne Community Schools (0235) – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 240 Lenovo student Chromebooks for Harris Elementary School
- 1081 Lenovo student Chromebooks for elementary schools
- 33 STEM/STEAM GoPro/10 packages for elementary schools
- STEM/STEAM Classroom Pack for Merge Cube at elementary school
- Cables, Batteries, Cases, Etc. for elementary school
- 100 Lenovo Student Laptops for middle schools
- 11 STEM/STEAM GoPro/10 packages for middle schools
- Cables, Batteries, Cases, Etc. for middle school
- 107 Lenovo student Laptops for high schools
- 8 STEM/STEAM GoPro/10 packages for high schools
- Cables, Batteries, Cases, Etc. for high school