

To: Board of Education

From: Jerri Kemble, assistant superintendent, innovation & technology, ext. 2755
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Re: Purchase of Curriculum – Lawrence Virtual School

Date: June 8, 2017

Background:

The K-12 curriculum at Lawrence Virtual School (LVS) curriculum is provided via a menu of vendors in accordance with strength of content and delivery, parent/student need and cost/return on investment. As the school seeks to strengthen its portfolio of options for families and maximize resources, LVS is requesting approval to continue its agreement with Florida Virtual School (FLVS) Global to enhance course offerings and service to families.

Rationale:

USD 497 has sponsored the Lawrence Virtual School for more than thirteen years. Support, involvement and growth are at all-time highs. The rigor and quality of the school's model and the curriculum that is very strategically embraced provides continued interest in LVS. The school began using FLVS Global curriculum in the 2015-16 school year with great success. Curriculum cost savings were realized by introducing FLVS Global into our curriculum options, and families noted the same rigor using this curriculum as with our other vendor. LVS will be increasing its curriculum options through FLVS Global this year which will increase curriculum savings in the coming school year.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends board approval for the purchase of 600 Hosted General Seats, 200 Hosted EDL Course Seats, 250 Hosted Per Enrollment General Seats, and 2 Additional VFS Instances (customization opportunities) for the 2017-2018 school year for a total cost of \$165,450. Account Number – 1810000035-56540

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve the purchase of curriculum from FLVS Global School at a total cost of \$165,450."