

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

August 21, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Thomas W. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Contract Approval for Bid No. 7242.1, Parts for Lenovo Chromebook Repair and Maintenance—Extension

[] **Information** [X]
Action

Superintendent Recommendation:

The superintendent recommends that the Board of Education exercise the annual extension of the contract, and approve an increase in spending authority for ongoing purchasing of Lenovo Chromebook repair parts, through Bid No. 7242.1, Parts for Lenovo Chromebook Repair and Maintenance—Extension, under the Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §5-112, and Montgomery County Public Schools Regulation DJA-RA, *Procurement of Equipment, Supplies, and Services*.

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) purchases hardware parts for broken Chromebooks that need repairs, from Lenovo (United States) Inc., to maintain an appropriate amount of fully functioning learning devices for the students of the district. Repairing the Chromebooks represents a savings for MCPS rather than purchasing replacement devices. This is a request to exercise the annual extension of the contract, and approve an increase in spending authority for ongoing purchasing of Lenovo Chromebook repair parts through the Parts for Lenovo Chromebook Repair and Maintenance contract, under Bid No. 7242.1. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this contract extension for one year, through June 30, 2026.

A breakdown of estimated repair parts costs for the contract is as follows:

- Screens: \$2,925,000
- Keyboards/Trackpads: \$745,000
- Top and Bottom Cases: \$375,000
- Mainboards: \$115,000
- Batteries: \$40,000

The strategy being employed this year is to divide the total funding request of up to \$4,200,000, over three quarters in Fiscal Year 2026, which includes this first request for \$1,500,000 for school opening preparation. This approach will allow for quarterly funding to better track authorizations and accountability. Additional funding requests would occur in the fall and spring based upon the needs of MCPS.

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted in the amount of \$1,500,000 for this quarter, to support the procurement of Lenovo Chromebook parts and maintenance services through Bid No. 7242.1, with a total not to exceed cost of \$4,200,000 in Fiscal Year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of computers, associated hardware, and services through Bid No. 7242.1, has been reviewed by the Montgomery County Public Schools Department of Cybersecurity and Technology Infrastructure, Department of Procurement, and the Division of Legal Services; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education authorize the purchase of Lenovo Chromebook parts and maintenance services through Bid No. 7242.1, Parts for Lenovo Chromebook Repair and Maintenance, for a total amount of \$1,500,000 for this quarter; and be it further

Resolved, That having been duly advertised, the following contract be extended through June 30, 2026, to the most responsive and responsible bidder meeting the specifications as follows:

Division of Technology Services

7242.1 ***Bid Name:*** Parts for Lenovo Chromebook
Repair and Maintenance—Extension
Requesting Department: Department of
Cybersecurity and Technology Infrastructure

Awardee:

Lenovo (United States) Inc.,
Morrisville, North Carolina

\$1,500,000

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