

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

INFORMATIONAL REPORT

DECISION ON CONTRACT AWARD ON
INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARDS AND LCD PROJECTORS
FOR THE NEW BEL AIR HIGH SCHOOL

JUNE 8, 2009

Background Information:

On behalf of the Office of Planning and Construction and the Office of Technology, the Purchasing Department is requesting approval to award a contract in the amount of \$153,511 to CDW Government, Inc., 230 North Milwaukee Avenue, Vernon Hills, IL 60061 for the purchase of Promethean interactive whiteboards and Hitachi LCD projectors for the new Bel Air High School.

Discussion:

An integral component of the Board of Education's Strategic Plan and Office of Technology's Tech Plan, is to deploy student centered technology tools in classrooms such as interactive whiteboards and data video projectors. The whiteboards, used in conjunction with LCD projectors, create an interactive classroom environment targeted to increase student engagement. Approval was granted in December 2008 for the mounting brackets for the LCD projectors in approximately 86 classrooms at the new Bel Air High School; this contract is to provide the projectors and whiteboards to complete the installations. 86 LCD projectors and 73 interactive whiteboards will be purchased. Remaining areas will be outfitted with standard wall screens.

The purchasing vehicle for this contract is the State of Maryland DBM Contract RFP 050B7800023 / BPO 060B9800013.

Funding for this project will be from the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 capital budget, account 310 7310 03 01 55810.

Interim Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the award of this contract to CDW Government, Inc., in the amount of \$153,511 for the purchase of Promethean interactive whiteboards and Hitachi LCD projectors.