



UNITED TOWNSHIP

HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 30

To: Board of Education
From: Kai Killam
CC: Dr. Jay Morrow, Janice Roome
Date: September 14, 2026
Re: Permission to purchase auditorium lighting upgrades

Board permission is requested to purchase the auditorium DMX lighting control infrastructure update and the auditorium LED lighting fixtures from Top-Notch Productions, Inc. of Davenport, Iowa.

The auditorium's connector raceways do not currently provide relay or non-dim power, and the DMX control distribution does not extend to the positions where the new fixtures hang. The work is quoted as two projects that together make up one upgrade, and the sequence matters: the control infrastructure must be completed first, or at least concurrently with the fixtures. The fixtures will not operate on the system as it stands.

PRJ-26028, DMX Lighting Control Infrastructure Update, covers the control side. DMX outputs are added at the front-of-house catwalk and Stage Electrics 1, 2, and 3; the DMX distribution is expanded with a repeater and a larger enclosure; and eight dual 20-amp relay modules are installed in the existing dimmer rack to convert 16 circuits from dimmed power to non-dim relay power. Cost: \$18,047.38.

PRJ-2426, Auditorium LED Lighting Fixtures, covers the fixtures. Twelve Chauvet Ovation E-910FC full-color LED ellipsoidal fixtures with 26-degree lens tubes replace the existing front wash on the front-of-house catwalk, and eight Chauvet Rogue R1 BeamWash fixtures are installed on the stage electrics, four on the 1st Electric and four on the 2nd. Cost: \$49,972.20.

Both proposals are Version 1.1, dated September 2, 2026, and replace the Version 1.0 proposals issued March 25, 2026. Each includes equipment, shipping and freight, engineering, installation, project management, programming, and end-user training. Neither carries sales tax.

Total cost of both projects will be \$68,019.58.

Top-Notch estimates one week of installation, during which no events can be held onstage. If the purchase is approved in September, the work is targeted for the week of fall break, October 5 through 9.

I recommend the Board approve the purchase of both projects.