

REPORT: New iMacs for Birney K-8 Music Lab

REPORT OF: Business Office/Technology

FOR: Information and Approval

STRATEGIC GOAL ALIGNMENT: *Board Strategic Plan Goal VII*

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE ALIGNMENT:

Prepare students to compete in a global society with opportunities to express a variety of modalities, including self-expression through the fine and performing arts.

FISCAL FUND IMPACT: 2026 Technology General Funds

IMPACT AMOUNT: \$31,078.00

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Birney K-8 has an Elements of Music class currently taught by Mr. Randy Scott. This class focuses on listening, music theory, and amazing hands-on creation experiences. The current iMac computer lab is 13 years old and has reached the end of life. Soon the lab will be non-functional.

COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS:

The price for a new iMac lab reflects Apple Educational Pricing.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the district approve the purchase of a new iMac computer lab for the Elements of Music class at Birney K-8. This purchase will include 20 iMac computers, 20 wired keyboards, 20 wired computer mice, and 20 Jamf School licenses. The iMacs come with wireless keyboards and mice. To prevent these items from going missing, it is recommended that wired keyboards and mice are purchased. The Jamf School licenses allow the computers to be safely and securely managed by the district. The request for an iMac lab vs. a PC lab is related to the immense creative options available on the devices.

IMPACT IF NOT APPROVED:

This class will not have a functional computer lab that is needed for required learning experiences.

NEXT STEPS IF APPROVED:

The equipment will be ordered, received, prepped, inventoried, and installed as quickly as possible.