



River Trails

SCHOOL DISTRICT 26

To: Operations Committee
From: Ryan Berry
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Subject: District Vehicle Purchase

Introduction

The district owns four fleet vehicles, three pickup trucks and one box truck. Last year, the district purchased a pickup truck and installed an 8 year cycle for its maintenance trucks and a 10-year cycle for its box truck. Current fleet make, model and mileage information is below.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Mileage</u>
2011	Box Truck Ford 350	99,500
2022	Pickup Truck Ford 250	52,500
2022	Pickup Truck Ford 250	44,000
2026	Pickup Truck Ford 350	5,500

Recommendation

It is recommended that the board approve the purchase of a new Ford 350 box truck with a new lift gate.

Background

The box truck is used on a daily basis. It not only hauls furniture and materials throughout the year, but it serves as a food and supply delivery vehicle to all district schools throughout the day. The continuous use, short trips, and overall age has increased the maintenance costs on the box truck. It is over 15 years old and the current estimate for needed maintenance is \$4,500, with additional costs in the future.

Overall, the maintenance vehicle fleet has held up well for the amount and type of use they get. However, the current state of the box truck is ominous.

Financial Impact (If applicable)

The cost of automobiles has risen over the past few years. The cost for a new maintenance vehicle with a new lift gate is approximately \$75,000. The current box truck will be traded-in, but a minimal return is expected.

Timeline and Next Steps (if needed)

Final quotes are being collected and will be provided at the time of the board meeting.

The following schedule is the plan for future vehicle purchases.

<u>Year Purchased</u>	<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Replacement Year</u>
2011	Box Truck Ford 350	2027
2022	Pickup Truck Ford 250	2030
2023	Pickup Truck Ford 250	2031
2026	Pickup Truck Ford 350	2034