

MEMORANDUM

TO: Centennial School Board & Dr. Jeff Holmberg, Superintendent
FROM: Patrick Chaffey, Executive Director of Business Services
DATE: October 5, 2026
RE: Review of Medical Insurance Proposal

Recommendation

For the School Board to review the proposal from Health Partners for the 2027 and 2028 calendar plan years and meeting minimum aggregate value. Approval will be requested at the October 19, 2026 Regular School Board Meeting.

Background

Minnesota statute 471.6161 requires school districts to seek proposals (RFP) for group medical insurance every two years under the Health Insurance Transparency Act (HITA). Below is a timeline of the process:

- May/June – RFP released
- June – RFP due
- July/August – Review of proposals and develop recommendation
- September – Finalize the recommendation for final school board approval for the School Board

The District insurance committee members and our insurance broker, Arthur J. Gallagher, reviewed the proposals from BCBS, Health-Partners, Medica and UnitedHealth Group. Allina ATENA declined to provide a proposal. It was determined after discussion and review of the proposals to recommend approval of the Health Partners proposal for the calendar years 2027 and 2028.