



Executive Summary Facilities Committee Meeting

DATE: April 21, 2026

TOPIC: Renaissance Communication System Upgrade of Lincoln Hall AirPhone System

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Recommended for:

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

Purpose/Background:

In our commitment to District-wide safety, the technology team recently conducted an audit of the entry systems across all District schools. The investigation at Lincoln Hall revealed that while the building has two-way audio and video access between the main office and other locations, portions of the current system are not functioning correctly. To address these vulnerabilities, the District recommends an upgrade to an integrated video-communication system.

The existing security infrastructure at Lincoln Hall currently relies on an older, exterior-mounted AirPhone system that provides audio and video communication between the front entryway and two desk stations in the main office. This system also provides access to a camera located near the cafeteria's rear loading door, and a second desk station within the Food Service Director's office allows for the control of and access to that door.

The team identified several issues with the current setup, including a malfunctioning desk station in the principal's office and an inoperative third external camera station located in an exterior vestibule.

To resolve these issues, the District recommends upgrading to a new AirPhone IP system. This would restore all two-way audio and video communications while ensuring consistency with the systems being implemented at both Rutledge Hall and Todd Hall. The proposed solution features high-quality exterior hardware, including a combined camera and doorbell unit, paired with internal desk stations that provide high-definition video and crisp two-way

audio for office personnel. By utilizing modern video standards, this system can integrate with our existing Rhombus camera network, allowing the entry door feed to be offloaded and monitored across our primary security displays.

The transition to an integrated AirPhone system offers many advantages, including enhanced visitor verification and the ability to provide two-way feedback before entry is granted. While this solution represents a higher investment than some entry-level alternatives, its features and expandability to other doors and accessible areas will allow the system to grow alongside the District's needs.

This project would be installed and managed by Renaissance Communication Systems and would include all components necessary to integrate seamlessly with the District's computer network as well as integration with the District camera and door access systems.

Fiscal Impact:

\$19,600 for all materials, equipment, installation of low voltage connections, installation of standard electrical connections and re-termination and testing of all network components.

Recommendation:

The Facilities Committee concurs with the Administration's recommendation to the Board of Education to approve the quote from Renaissance Communication Systems for the installation of a Door Intercom/Video Surveillance system Lincoln Hall in the amount of \$19,600.