



PUTNAM COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #535

Recommendation for the Board of Education

Meeting: March 18th, 2026

Item: Approval of Bid for PCJH & PCHS Entrances and PCHS Media Center Fenestration

Recommendation: I recommend that the Board of Education approve the bid from Lite Construction to renovate the PCJH and PCHS vestibules and replace the PCHS Media Center fenestration for a total cost of \$623,700.00.

The PCHS Media Center fenestration was initially put out for bid in Spring 2025; however, no bids were received at that time. The project was identified as a priority due to ongoing deterioration of the doors and surrounding wall, which has raised security concerns for the building.

In consideration of prior discussions about enhancing entry security at both PCJH and PCHS, the vestibule projects were combined with the Media Center fenestration work. This approach was intended to attract competitive bids and achieve greater cost efficiency across all three projects.

The Board of Education reviewed this project in September 2025 and approved the release of bids in December 2025. At that time, the combined estimated cost for all three projects was \$481,300.00, broken down as follows:

- PCHS Main Entrance - \$155,800.00
- PCJH Main Entrance - \$160,500.00
- PCHS Media Center Fenestration - \$165,000.00

*I am not recommending the Board of Education approve the alternate bid of \$2,000.