

Action Item - 13

Title: Contract with GT Security for Physical Access Control Equipment, Services, Maintenance and Support (\$1,152,568)

Board of Education Meeting Date: 4/24/2025

Action Under Consideration:

The Administration recommends that the Board of Education authorize The School District of Philadelphia, through the Superintendent or his designee, to execute and perform a contract, subject to funding, as follows:

With:

GT Security Systems

Purpose:

Acquisition, implementation and ongoing maintenance of a centralized physical security access control solution for schools and administrative offices

Start date: 7/1/2025

End Date: 6/30/2027

Compensation not to exceed:

\$1,152,568

Location:

All Administrative Offices, All Schools

Renewal Option:

Number of options: 2; Duration of each option: 2 years

Maximum Compensation authorized per option period:

\$1,152,568

Description:

Why is this contract needed?

This contract is needed to enhance the physical security of the buildings within the District. The DNA Fusion security platform is a flexible and expandable system that allows for centralized electronic ingress/egress door control at any school or administrative building, remote monitoring and control of intrusion alarms, and integration with surveillance systems. Additionally, the DNA Fusion application interfaces with the District's new Oracle Human Resources system to automate the management of ID cards, and to allow all employees to use the Kronos time and attendance system.

How will the success of this contract be measured?

Success has been measured in the past by the deployment of a centralized access control system that integrates with the Kronos time and attendance system. Future success will be measured by further expanding this system to additional school locations.

When applicable, was a larger community of District community members and/or stakeholders involved in this selection process? If so, what groups and how?

School Safety and Capital Programs were involved with the creation of the initial project scope, as well as the scoring committee.

Which Goal and/or Guardrail does this Action Item support?

Has this investment been discussed during a progress monitoring session?

Which session?

The deployment of a centralized access control system supports Guardrail 1 and ensures that our schools are better physically secured, thereby making them safe, welcoming places for our students and staff.

Does this Action Item support a specific strategy/intervention identified in the Strategic Plan?

This action item supports Priority Area 1: Improve safety and well-being.

Related resolution(s)/action item(s)

N/A

Funding Source(s)

FY26 - PCCD School Safety Grant (Access Control)

FY26 - IT Operating - Technology Services

FY27 - IT Operating - Technology Services

FY28 - IT Operating - Technology Services

FY29 - IT Operating - Technology Services

FY30 - IT Operating - Technology Services

FY31 - IT Operating - Technology Services

FY26 Capital Programs

FY27 Capital Programs

FY28 Capital Programs

FY29 Capital Programs

FY30 Capital Programs

FY31 Capital Programs

Office Originating Request:

Information Technology