

Agenda Item Title: Resolution to Allow Murfreesboro City Schools to Utilize Cooperative Purchasing Agreements

Board Meeting Date: July 28, 2026

Department: Finance

Presented by: Dr. Trey Duke

Board Agenda Category:

Consent Agenda ☐

Action Item ☒

Reports and Information ☐

Requires City Council Approval: Yes ☐ No ☒

Summary

State law allows Murfreesboro City Schools to enter into master cooperative purchasing agreements through cooperative purchasing programs with the approval and consent of the local legislative body. This resolution will allow Murfreesboro City Schools to continue to benefit from purchasing from national programs to include the BuyBoard National Purchasing Cooperative, Omnia Partners, The Interlocal Purchasing System, CDW-G, and Sourcewell for the 2027 fiscal year.

Staff Recommendation

Approve resolution to allow Murfreesboro City Schools to utilize cooperative purchasing organizations for competitive purchases, where appropriate

Fiscal Impact

By leveraging the collective buying power of multiple institutions, these programs enable us to secure substantial discounts on essential goods and services. In addition to the direct financial savings, cooperative purchasing programs offer a considerable reduction in administrative burden on our staff.

Connection to MCS's Five-Year Strategic Plan

- ☐ **Academic Success:** Raise academic achievement for all students across content areas by closing learning gaps and ensuring readiness for the next grade level so that every child is prepared for future success.
- ☐ **Ready to Learn:** Promote the success of every child by supporting their social, behavioral, and non-academic needs in partnership with families and the community so that students are ready to learn.
- ☐ **Highly Qualified Team:** Invest in the growth and retention of our employees so that every student benefits from a well-prepared and highly qualified team.
- ☒ **Operational Efficiency:** Ensure operational efficiency so that resources effectively support and enhance student learning.
- ☐ **District of Choice:** Strategically promote and expand the strengths and opportunities of our schools so that we are recognized as the district of choice for families.