Consideration of Modular Classroom Leasing for Temporary Capacity Relief

<u>Policy Reference</u>: OE-13: The superintendent shall assure that physical facilities support the accomplishment of the board's *Results* policies, are safe and properly maintained.

Background Information: As the District has continued to grow the need to address short-term capacity issues at several schools has also increased. Current temporary classrooms, if relocated, would not comply with current codes without an investment that far exceeds their value. To best plan for the required temporary classroom space, competitive bids were received for leasing modular classrooms. If approved, this solicitation allows HCS a new flexibility in how temporary classrooms are arranged with variations from one to eight classrooms in a singular building. For multiple classroom configurations, an interior corridor will serve individual classrooms with defined, centralized exterior access doors. Modular classroom leasing provides many benefits to HCS including flexibility in arrangement, better security and entry control, a singular connection (when installed as one building) for utilities, data, fire alarms, etc., and a more inclusive environment for the occupants by having a shared interior corridor.

The leasing agreement includes multiple options for restrooms either inside the classroom for younger grades, or for group restrooms for upper grades as may be required. The leasing costs for the first / last year includes delivery and installation / removal fees. Monthly lease costs between the first and last year are reduced.

<u>Purpose</u>: To receive approval to enter into a leasing agreement for modular classrooms (HCS Solicitation 1415-54) to provide capacity relief as needed in the District not to exceed a first year expenditure of \$400,000.00. Modular classroom placement will be verified through collaboration between HCS Learning Services and the Facilities Department.

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Recommended Action:

Approve leasing modular classrooms for temporary capacity relief, not-to-exceed \$400,000.00 for the 2015-2016 school year.

Estimated Project Cost: \$400,000.00

Recurring <u>X</u> Non-recurring <u>___</u>
Funding Sources: General Fund Balance