

Topic: E-4. Recommendation for Bid Renewal – ITB 16-107T – Bleacher Repair Service

Staff Follow Up: Board Member commented that she had visited schools where bleachers had been in repair for a significant amount of time. Staff to ensure school-based administrators are aware of this contract and the process for ensuring bleachers are repaired in a timely manner.

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Response: School-based administrators are aware of the process to have bleachers repaired—by calling in a work order. Additionally, all bleachers are inspected biennially by a structural engineer and work orders are generated by PPO to create an “actionable record” of those inspection findings.

Physical Plant Operations prioritizes repairs to District facilities according to the anticipated impact on teaching and learning. As a result, the bleacher repairs which are being funded are to repair gym bleachers because the available funding in the PPO budget is insufficient to fund all bleacher repairs.

Work orders to repair bleachers using our outside vendors varies widely, from less than \$1,000 to over \$100,000, with an average of \$7,200. We currently have approximately 150 such work orders as a result of the last biennial inspection with an estimated cost-to-repair of approximately \$1,080,000. At approximately \$250,000 annually—PPO's current rate of spending on these repairs—we are keeping pace with the deterioration of the gym bleachers, and many incidental repairs, but not “catching up” with the backlog of bleacher repair.

In order to catch up with bleacher repair, we would need additional funding of \$500,000 per year for two years. Such an investment would effectively eliminate the backlog of bleacher repair by June 30 of 2021. Note that such an investment in bleacher repair would also necessitate an increase in spending authority on this bid by July of 2020 (or a new bid).