Executive Summary
Topic: Teachscape Walk Licensing
Committee Date: October 29, 2012

Summary

Teachscape Walk is a handheld-based tool that we will be using on iPads and PCs that provides an easy-to-use data collection, analysis and reporting system for brief, targeted classroom observations. Teachscape Walk enables instructional leaders to get a snapshot of what is happening in the classroom by quickly and easily collecting evidence of instructional practice, and enables principals and instructional leaders to review updated data and run powerful reports to help identify trends and patterns using the Charlotte Danielson model for teacher evaluation and observation.

The Teachscape Walk innovative data collection and reporting technology, combined with Charlotte Danielson walkthrough research-based process, provides a framework for reflective discussions, data analysis, action planning, and program monitoring. This methodology helps instructional leaders continuously improve and adapt classroom practices to increase student achievement.

Teachscape Walk and the Classroom Walkthrough process accelerate improvement, gather key data about teaching practice, create reports and analyze data to measure progress against gains, identify trends and patterns in teaching, increase student achievement through school-wide collaboration on improved teaching and learning and finally translates data into practical action steps.

Teachscape Walk will be funded through the Race to the Top Grant.

Recommended Motion

That the Board of School Directors approves the quote from Teachscape for licensing of Teachscape Walk and training sessions for $26,983.