

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

October 13, 2026

SUBJECT:

Submission of META: The Future is For Everyone- Aiken Data Center Grant by The Aiken County Public School District Division of Instruction- Elementary Level– FY27

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Aiken County Public School District Division of Instruction- Elementary Level would like to submit an application to the META: The Future is For Everyone- Aiken Data Center Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00. The purpose of this grant is to support an elementary interactive learning and STEM initiative. If awarded, grant funds would be used to purchase a Mobile Active Floor Learning System and supplemental STEM materials and supplies to expand hands-on, technology-enhanced learning opportunities for elementary students across the district.

The Mobile Active Floor transforms open spaces into interactive learning environments where students use movement, collaboration, critical thinking, and problem-solving to engage with academic content. With grant funding, additional STEM materials and supplies that complement the Active Floor would be purchased to expand opportunities for students to participate in hands-on science, engineering, problem-solving, and collaborative learning experiences. These resources would be managed by the Division of Instruction through the Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning and made available to schools for use.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The Division of Instruction and Accountability has evaluated the goals and objectives and finds them to be consistent with district goals.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve The Aiken County Public School District Division of Instruction- Elementary Level's submission of the application for the META: The Future is For Everyone- Aiken Data Center Grant and the receipt of funds, if awarded.

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