

Marion County Board of Education

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Items Added to the Consent Agenda

- 1. Approval of Resolution Opposing the Education Freedom Scholarship Act
of 2025** *Dr. Griffith*
- 2. Request Approval to Pay Sideline Interactive, LLC for Scorer's Table &
Chairs for the New Jasper Middle School** *Mike Ogden*

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**RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE
EDUCATION FREEDOM SCHOLARSHIP ACT OF 2025**

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Constitution, Article XI, Section 12, mandates that the General Assembly shall "provide for the maintenance, support, and eligibility standards of a system of free public schools"; and

WHEREAS, school choice already exists via district transfers, charter schools, home schools, virtual schools, and private schools; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County Board of Education educates every eligible student in our community who wishes to enroll; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County Board of Education serves a diverse student body with programs and resources designed to meet individual student needs, including students from economically disadvantaged households, students with disabilities, and English learners; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Education Freedom Scholarship Act would create a program that diverts public funds to private institutions, thus threatening the ability of public schools to provide high-quality education and maintain local control; and

WHEREAS, under this proposed legislation, private schools receiving these funds would not be held to the same accountability standards as public schools, and public dollars would be used without assurances of equitable access for all students, including those with disabilities or limited income; and

WHEREAS, while the proposed legislation guarantees that an LEA's funding will not decrease due to student disenrollment, this static funding fails to account for rising operational costs, and without continued enrollment growth, districts lose the opportunity for future per-student funding increases that would otherwise offset expense growth, creating a widening disparity over time; and

WHEREAS, as a result of static funding amidst rising expenses, districts may be forced to reduce essential programs and opportunities for students or seek additional funding from local governing bodies, placing an increased financial burden on communities and undermining the quality of public education; and

WHEREAS, while investments in teacher pay and the construction and maintenance of public school buildings are critically needed, these initiatives should not serve as enticements tied to voucher legislation that jeopardize the long-term stability and quality of public education, but instead each should be evaluated and implemented on their own merits; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marion County Board of Education expresses its opposition to the Education Freedom Scholarship Act of 2025 and any future efforts to implement or expand voucher or ESA programs in Tennessee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Marion County Board of Education urges the Tennessee General Assembly to prioritize investment in public schools, strengthen teacher recruitment and retention efforts, and ensure that all students receive the support they need to thrive; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Marion County Board of Education calls on stakeholders, including parents, community members, and policymakers, to support public education as a cornerstone of democracy and an essential foundation for the future of Tennessee.

Adopted and approved this 16th day of January 2025

By: _____
Ryan Phillips Board Chair

Attest: _____
Dr. Mark Griffith Director of Schools



Sideline Interactive
 PO Box 2413
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Invoice

Invoice Date: Aug 15, 2024

Invoice Number : IN3440

Sales Order Number : 1448858000111303337

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Account Name: **Jasper Middle School (TN)**

Due Date:

Status: **Ready**

Sales Order: **JMS 12ft LED_40 Gym Chairs**

S.No.	Product Details	Qty	List Price	Total
1	12ft Table LED SLSTPL12 12ft PRO-LED Scorer's Table 4mm LED pixel pitch 20% better than 4.8mm, 25% better than 5mm, 33% better than 6mm Includes computer with coaching software Includes Digital Scoreboard software for Basketball, Volleyball Interactive advertising slideshow, instant player graphics, interactive crowd graphics Custom Graphics Package for Basketball, Volleyball, Wrestling 5 Year Warranty on Table Frame and LED Panels 1 Year Warranty on all other components Premium hardwood construction with laminate countertop Safety pads in custom colors Heavy duty shatterproof polycarbonate protection for displays Over 1,000 NITS brightness and 1 million colors	1	\$ 13,299.00	\$ 13,299.00
2	Clear Possession Arrow SL-ACCclearPoss Clear LED Possession Arrow for Basketball	1	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
3	ClarinChair 3400B- 1C/1Location ClarinChair3400B-1C1L Model 3400B Folding Chair. Print of logo on back and seat of chair and Custom Padding	40	\$ 160.00	\$ 6,400.00
4	Chair Cart HT-301 SL-ACHT301 HT-301 Hanging Cart-holds (48) Model 3400 chairs- 79"L x 31.25"W x 74.375H.	1	\$ 895.00	\$ 895.00
5	Shipping Shipping Shipping	1	\$ 1,890.00	\$ 1,890.00
			Sub Total	\$ 22,484.00
			Tax	\$ 0.00
			Adjustment	\$ 0.00
			Grand Total	\$ 22,484.00

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