Emergency Medical Technician I Equipment Request

Request: The EMMS 170 Emergency Medical Technician 1: Basic Training course is requesting \$12,021.44 from the district's instructional equipment budget on an emergency basis. This money will be used to purchase required equipment that is needed to offer this course.

Justification: The EMMS 170 course was offered for many years as an instructional agreement course with the Monterey County Department of Health Services. This course normally is offered each semester and fills with 50 students. Usually 20 or 30 more students are turned away each semester. In June 2008 the county notified the college that they were no longer interested in doing an instructional agreement for the course and that the college could take over the course on their own. For years, the county had provided the equipment to put on this class and it was stored on campus in the International Center Building. In July 2008 the county removed all of the equipment from the college and transported it to a county storage facility. They inventoried it and set up a system to check out the equipment. For the fall 2008 and spring 2009, the college's instructors went back and forth to the storage facility and checked out the equipment for use at each Tuesday and Thursday evening class.

In May 2009, the county notified us that the college would no longer have access to this equipment. The EMMS 170 course cannot be offered without this equipment. Therefore, this request is being made to provide the funds for the college to purchase its own equipment so that we can continue to offer EMMS 170. This course is a prerequisite to the college's Fire Academy and is often taken by students waiting to enroll in our impacted nursing program. This one course generates about 20 FTES per academic year.

I have been in contact with the college's Fire Academy program, the School of Nursing, and local fire representatives to see if they can assist us with some of this equipment. So, this total request could go down. However, because of the vital nature of this equipment, I am requesting the full amount at this time.