

## Technology Department October 2021 Board Report

### **Middle School Cameras**

We've received word that wiring is complete so we can now mount/install cameras. We will be using the as built drawings that we finally received from the network installers to quickly locate our drops to install cameras.

### **E-rate**

BPS has made application and now received word on the ECF funding opportunities being made available under e-rate. This past week we received our award letter from USAC for \$147,000 which will be applied to the iPads originally purchased under ESSR II funds which now makes that \$147,000 available for other technology purchases around the district. We have also made an application for \$79,500 in additional mobile equipment under the ECF program. In discussion with our e-rate consultant we should be in good order to also receive those funds as funding will first go to the 100% free and reduced districts before going to others. We hope to receive word of being awarded these funds in the next few weeks.

### **Wireless network**

We've had some areas that we are now completing their access point upgrades. This wireless project brings the district to the latest WiFi 6 standards to maximize the efficient use of our wireless infrastructure throughout the district.

### **MacBook replacements**

Over the summer months a lot of effort went into replacing the older MacBooks being used by teachers with updated MacBooks. We now have around 95% of our teachers MacBooks replaced with a few stragglers yet to be swapped out. A huge shout out to Julie Hayes for her assistance in the project during my needed absence over the summer months.