## LPGE Technology Board Report November 17th, 2025

Update for November,

Skyward, our "Student Information System", has taken our first data extraction to set up our new test environment. We plan to have this running by November 19th. After that, the tech department will have some setup to do before the rest of the transition team can start their training.

We have received confirmation of our total Erate funding over the next 5 years. It will be a total of \$200,350. This money can only be used for network devices (i.e. Switches and Wireless Access points). We are in need of replacing all of that, as they've been operating for about 8-10 years. How Erate works is that we will need to pay 20% of the \$200,350. I will be working with Ms. Evenson and Mr. Ludvigson to get this built into the budget.

I have been working on setting up devices for the offices to use for translation. Right now, we have a cellphone that will translate phone calls using AI. We also are using the Google Gemini app for live translation. This will never replace our human translators, but will help if they are busy or out of the office. We are getting more languages in our school now, not just Spanish, so we are in need of a good translation device.

Skyler has been helping with translation at conferences. We have an on-demand live service that we subscribe to help with live translation. We are not able to find translators for all the languages that are spoken by parents, so this is a way to do it. In the future, we will hopefully rely on AI to take the place of this service, but until we have done more testing, we wanted to make sure conferences go smoothly.

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