# LPGE Technology Board Report
## July 15, 2024

Summer is moving fast in the tech department. Here are some things we have been working on.

I've been working on getting the billing fixed with CTC for our new phone service. There are always errors when you add such a large service with a company. That is going well. Switching to in-house phones will save us well over $1,000 a month on services.

July is also a month that I hit Erate hard. I've submitted our reimbursement forms for our Internet and fiber services. We should be receiving over $12,000 back from Erate for the 23-24 communications.

Fiber installation to the football field is on track to being completed by July 10th. I've been working closely with the fiber construction company to get that installed.

I've also been updating our Cyber Security and Chromebook policies for the 24-25 school year. They have been included in the board packet for approval. The sections that have changed are highlighted in green.

Skyler, our tech assistant, has been working on wrapping up the phone installation. We have been able to expand the locations of phones in the district to many places. We can do this because we can add an unlimited amount of phones to our system with no extra per month cost.

Skyler has also been working on our network security. Since installing our new firewall he's making sure that we do not have any holes where hackers can enter. I do need to remind you that nothing is ever 100% when it comes to cyber-attacks. However, Skyler is very good at detecting anomalies and monitoring our network for such potential problems.

Dave Nelson, our Integrationist, has been working with our new district-wide communications platform, ParentSquare. We have training scheduled this week and we are hoping to start to sign up parents by August.

Dave has also been working to prepare for the next school year. Rollover for the various software packages needs to be done each year to prepare for classes starting a new year. He also has been working on updating our staff training that happens each fall. This would include cybersecurity training and other district policies that need to be updated each year for compliance.


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