

## **Summer Happenings**

### *Babb-Security Cameras*

Security cameras have been installed at the Babb School covering the interior halls and main entrance. Another trip and some additional tools and two outside cameras will be mounted to cover the playground area and bus garage area.

### *WiFi Infrastructure*

Our oldest access points have now been swapped out with a firmware upgrade to be applied in the next few weeks. With old access points swapped out and the firmware update we will increase the ‘density’ capability of the wifi network with minimal expense. (Density is the number of devices that can reasonably connect to an access point at one time and have service to the devices that are connected).

### *Security Cameras - existing*

Cameras are being renamed and organized to follow general traffic patterns in the buildings. It has turned out to be quite the task but will help following a situation between camera transitions when needed for monitoring.

### *Internet-*

We cut over our internet service on 6/30/19 from Access Montana to 3 Rivers Telecommunications. The move was required as a condition of e-rate as e-rate requires going with the lowest cost provider from the bidding process. Access Montana was \$3000 more than the 3 Rivers proposal for the same 1gb of service. This change doubles our internet speed for the district from a pitiful 500 Mbps to 1Gbps of service to handle the ever growing demand of our internet resources.

### *Everything else-*

Preparing macs and ipads for new teachers starting in August, cleaning projectors, performing various firmware updates on our firewall and web filter and all the other things that still happen on a daily basis for the districts summer operations.

## **Student Privacy (HB 745)**

## July 2019 Board Report

OPI is sponsoring the annual fee to be a member of the national Student Data Privacy Consortium for all districts in Montana. HB 745 is all about protecting the PII (Personally Identifiable Information) of our students across the state and commits vendors taking on the same role as we at the district are already committed to with FERPA and data protection. Within the next week the model agreement should have it's vetting completed by MTSBA and ready to roll out to software vendors starting the first week of August.