

LPGE Technology Board Report

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Update for Aug:

School starts in just two weeks and we are ready!

Skyward: Most of the transition has gone well. We did find out that the schedules at the Secondary had some doubled up classes. Audrey and Jonathan have been working with Skyward to get this corrected. So far, adoption of the new software has been positive.

Chromebooks: The last legislative session at the state approved a screen time restriction on Pre-K students. Because of the rules, we have removed all student devices from our Kindergarten classrooms. The law states that students can only use a device if the teacher is engaged with them. We will be watching the legislation in January for new restrictions being considered on the rest of our students.

Network upgrades: We have completed a huge upgrade to our firewall to get us current on our software. This is always a huge upgrade, as it's the top level of our network and protects us from the outside world.

We were approved for our Cyber Security Grant from the state. This will be around \$20,000 in upgrades. We have until December 31, 2026 to use this money. I will be working on getting cameras updated and renewing our cyber security software.

Chromebooks are being prepared in the Secondary for students to pick up during open house. This is a huge task to inspect and checkout the devices to each student. We do have our new Technology Tracking Database all up and running. We are hoping that this will make Chromebook tracking more efficient.

We have also been working on setting up all the new employees. Everyone needs a device and access, so we have been busy getting those things ready for them. We will be presenting at both the new teacher inservice and workshop week.

It's been a very busy but productive summer and we are excited for the 26-27 school year!

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