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During this period, we focused on supporting family engagement, student safety, and improving instructional technology access. For parent-teacher conferences, we used Family Access in Skyward to streamline the scheduling process, allowing families to view and select available times quickly and easily. This change aimed to provide a more convenient experience for families while also supporting teachers in managing their schedules efficiently.

In line with our focus on academic transparency, we worked on redesigning the report card for Elizabeth Ide School to incorporate standards-based grading. The new design aligns with our learning standards, helping families clearly understand their child's progress on specific skills and content areas. This approach aims to provide a more accurate reflection of each student's learning journey and will support teachers in communicating meaningful feedback. We are currently working closely with grade-level teams to gather insights, refine the format, and address any questions, ensuring the new report card meets the needs of all stakeholders.

Addressing school safety and technology maintenance, we installed additional exterior security cameras across our buildings to enhance surveillance and student safety. This improvement responds to the community's desire for increased security on school premises. Furthermore, we've encountered a higher-than-anticipated volume of Chromebook repairs, largely due to wear and tear from daily student use. Our tech team is exploring ways to reduce repair time and is working with grade-level teams to promote responsible usage. Ensuring the timely repair of devices is essential to maintaining an effective digital learning environment.