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Network

- Advanced security features on personal devices create issues beyond our control when connecting to school WiFi. Having Private Wi-Fi Address, private browsing, and sometimes Limit IP Tracking enabled result in no internet access. Disabling those features typically resolves the issue. We are legally required to have content filtering in place, these features attempt to bypass the filter, the default action when that happens is to not allow internet access. We're Investigating solutions that don't require individual assistance disabling a variety of features that vary across device types and operating systems.
- Network equipment replacement slated for this summer. Funding applied for last year and was approved late last year through E-Rate covering 85% of the cost. Due to the CMS remodel project we were unable to accept equipment as one of the conditions stipulates equipment must be installed in a timely manner. We have deferred this purchase until roughly April so we can have it onsite as the remodel nears completion.

CMS Remodel

- We were fortunate to catch some electrical and data issues in the CMS remodel before rough ins were completed. We're currently unsure if this will result in a credit or wash out with the additional changes but we do not anticipate a cost as the work had not been completed.
 - All outlets were set to be at standard height, we requested an outlet be placed at 8' in specified locations in each room to accommodate the electrical needs for projectors without the need to run extension cords along the wall. Several outlets were located in odd unusable locations and have either been eliminated or sent back to request information.
 - The original plans called for on average 10 network cables to be run to each classroom. We requested a change order to reduce that to 5 to give teachers a few options for desk / phone location as well as a hardwire connection for wireless access points etc. Other rooms also had excessive network cabling and was reduced.
 - Rewiring the old camera locations was part of the plan but drawings did not seem to show all locations so the subcontractor bid did not include them. We drew up a new camera placement map to ensure wiring went to locations suitable for the new

building layout and worked with McG, Tongass Electric and architects to document changes for all of the above.

Other Projects

- PACE Student Information System migration from FileMaker to PowerSchool.
- PowerSchool Inventory plugin implementation is underway allowing us to keep track of and assign items, repairs and fees within PowerSchool. (We canceled our previous system this summer)
- Preparations for WIDA and State testing by pushing out software and updates tracking progress over the next couple months to ensure all student devices are ready well ahead of the testing windows.