

Technology Board Report

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Cybersecurity - I am attending the Cybersecurity Training for Alaska K-12 District Leadership webinar series over the next several months along with other AK Technology Directors. Our first assignment was the completion of a cyber risk assessment. LPSD scored a little lower than average, but none of our vulnerabilities were a surprise. Our historical cybersecurity efforts have focused on critical systems and protecting sensitive data (financial, student, etc.). Our future trainings will discuss cyber security best practices in Alaska schools and we will develop strategies to strengthen our own security.

PSAT - The PSAT was administered digitally for the first time this year. The testing platform, Bluebook Exams, was new to us this fall and was very problematic to install. Updates were required on many of our computers that were time-consuming to install. This caused frustrations and delayed testing windows.

Internet - We continue to see reliable and adequate internet service throughout the district with our new LEO connections through SES. I have received very few reports of complete loss of service or slow connection. Since we only signed a one-year contract with SES, we will have the opportunity to adjust our provider selection this spring if needed.