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June 2025 Board Report

We wrapped up another outstanding year in the Technology Department, marked by several major projects completed and others well underway.

Skyward Transition

Our transition to Skyward was a monumental shift in how we manage both student and financial data. One year in, we continue to discover new ways to leverage the platform for greater efficiency and real-time data access across the district. This summer, we're exploring additional integrations, including:

- Tardy kiosks in the main offices of each building
- Automated data synchronization with key partners using ClassLink
- Integration with our new phone system, WebEx.

Device Refresh at Lakeview

We're excited to share that the Lakeview staff left for summer with brand-new computers. Their previous devices will be repurposed to support various district programs, including encore areas. With our planned replacement cycle, we're able to cascade more capable devices where they're most needed.

Phone System Upgrade

Thanks to the SVPP COPS grant, we're upgrading our phone system district-wide with minimal impact on the operating budget. Each classroom will receive a new phone featuring enhanced capabilities. While intercoms remain our primary method for office-to-classroom communication, the new phones provide a critical backup. Additionally, administrators will have an app installed on their district-issued mobile devices that connects directly to the new system.

Cell Service Transition

We also transitioned to T-Mobile as our new cellular provider. This change results in cost savings and adds reliability to our communication infrastructure.

Internet Provider Change

Following up from our e-rate acceptance, we are getting closer to lighting the fiber for our new connections. The district will go from a single 1 gigabit connection to dual 4 gigabit connections with resilience built in. This will represent a combined 8x increase in speed available to our students and staff.

We're looking forward to the transition on July 1, 2025.

Summer Chromebook Prep

Our summer tech staff are busy preparing student Chromebooks for the new school year. Each device is being carefully inspected and repaired as needed. Special thanks to Sharon Dadepogu, our new Help Desk Technician, for leading the effort—and to Joyce Wilson, Kellie Kerfin, Meghan Aleo, and Cole Novotny for their continued hard work and dedication.