



Hallsville ISD Technology - Departmental Report

Information and Updates for Oct 2025, Volume 107

News & Notes

- ❖ ParentSquare rollout.
 - Migration to ParentSquare for mass communication is in progress and will become HISD's primary mass communication for the 2026-2027 school year.
 - Migration to SmartSites for the district website is in progress. Switch date is December 1st, 2025.
- ❖ Replacement of the current digital signage system using Rise Vision.
- ❖ Network assessment for replacement and upgrade.
 - Compiled a list of hardware with the manufacturer for the network upgrade..
 - Ongoing condensing and decommissioning of old or unused network equipment within the district.
- ❖ Video surveillance upgrade at the various campuses.
 - Separated the "normal" network from the "video surveillance" network physically.
 - Dedicated fiber for the video surveillance system.
- ❖ Resolved many door and gate-related issues.
 - Installed Knox Boxes at the High School for first responders.
- ❖ Continued cooperation with HHS Studio H to stream the Game of the Week.
- ❖ The Technology Department closed **551 work orders** in September 2025.

Technology Roadmap

- ❖ Replacement of "end-of-life" network equipment utilizing e-rate.
 - By the end of 2025, approximately 80% of the district network will be outdated.
 - E-rate is a federal Universal Service Schools and Libraries Program, which provides reimbursement for telecommunications and internet access for eligible K-12 schools. HISD will qualify for 60% reimbursement.
 - Upgrade/replace the server racks in the District Network Operations Center
- ❖ Replace and upgrade the public paging system at the East Elementary School.
- ❖ Replace and upgrade the public paging system at the Junior High.
- ❖ Streamlining daily operational processes and procedures.

Long-term Projects/Goals

- ❖ Replacement and upgrade of a district-wide hypervisor.
 - ❖ Upgrade of the environmental cooling system in the District Network Operations Center.
 - ❖ Proactively replace legacy buried fiber optic cabling connecting multiple campuses to ensure continued network reliability and performance.
 - ❖ Junior High Auditorium audio equipment replacement, remodel, and stage upgrades.
 - ❖ Replacement of the existing Telephone System with an industry-standard VOIP system.
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