

**May 2016**

Derby Public Schools

# Monthly Board Report

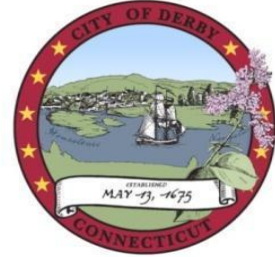
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## Technology Department

Eric Conklin, Director of Technology



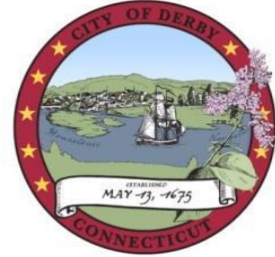
# 1:1 Laptops



Technology Department

- Laptop repairs continue on a regular basis by the IT & DHS LMC staff. Purchasing replacement parts at lowest possible cost in bulk (LCD screen, plastic base parts, hard drives).
- IT/LMC Staff still seeing similar numbers as of May: Seeing average of 30 repair issues per week at DHS and 40 at DMS.
- End of year laptop collection will begin the Tuesday after Memorial Day. Students will have until last day of school to return laptops and chargers.
- Students encouraged and told to hold laptops until all school obligations have been fulfilled.
- Students will be instructed to return laptops to LMC at both schools as soon as they are finished using them for the school year.

# Ongoing Work and Projects



Technology Department

- SBAC and NWEA testing went and have been running smoothly. All testing will be completed by the end of May.
- New iBoss network web filter installed on 5/10. This aligns us with the CEN and provides better control, monitoring, and security for our network. Already seeing good results.
- Bradley: 7 Eno Boards and projectors to be installed starting on 5/18. Will be completed by the end of the week.
- Continue to address staff technology issues and answer helpdesk requests as quickly as possible. We continue to work on decreasing response time.
- The bid for new Mini PC desktop computers has been posted. Bid opening will take place at Central Office on 5/20 @ 1pm. Once winning bidder is selected, board will be informed of chosen device, price, and quantity before purchase.

# Ongoing Work and Projects



Technology Department

- Continue to support, maintain, repair and oversee use of student laptops.
- Still ongoing: Performing maintenance on all projectors in district. Working to reduce frequency of replacing bulbs. This will continue over the summer.
- Website updates continue: Updates have been made to technology section of the page to include more resources for students and information about IT services. See the updates at [www.derbyps.org/technology](http://www.derbyps.org/technology)
- Keyboarding software: District will trial keyboarding with a fee, web based version, <https://www.typing.com/>. Students will be able to log in with Google accounts.
- Researching and working with a program called Clever. This is a free for education user database sync. This will ensure that our various programs always have the most up-to-date student data. Intend to implement for 16-17 school year.
- Attended the 4th Annual Connecticut Education Network conference on 5/13.