

Technology Coordinator
Report to the Pittsville School District Board of Education
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CTE Related Projects – The CTE Security Camera Expansion project was completed and all of the PA system hardware was installed on Tuesday, August 24th. We will be able to link the new PA system to the district’s existing system once we can get an analog phone line connection active from the Elementary IT Closet to the CTE IT closet. The CTE Door Entry System project was completed on Tuesday, August 31st. We have requested a proposal to modify the CTE Door Entry System in a way that would allow Kim Fox to control the CTE’s south corridor entrance from the High School Office so she can let students in if they arrive outside of class passing time. Kim can view that door using the expanded Security Camera system. Thankfully, I was able to install the new 65” Clevertouch panels in each of the four CTE classrooms before the first day of school. The cabling contractor completed the CTE Network Cabling Project on Thursday, September 9th. I was able to install two wireless access points in the CTE before the first day of school, but now I am able to install the rest of the CTE’s wireless access points and VoIP phones, as well as relocate a copier into the CTE conference room.

Clevertouch IMPACT Plus interactive touchscreens – All twelve of the new 65” Clevertouch panels were installed in their respective locations before the first day of school. All of the Clevertouch mounts and panels in the 4K-3rd Grade wing were reinstalled before the first day of school. The five newly ordered 75” Clevertouch touchscreens finally arrived on September 3rd! I am working with the respective teachers to coordinate the installations of these 75” panels, as well as the three teachers receiving a relocated 65” panel after a 75” panel installation.

Replacement Laptops – The image for these devices was completed last month, but we’ve had to work through some issues with the district’s imaging server and other items took precedence as contractors arrived to work on projects. I had met with the respective teacher; and fortunately, the laptops were not needed immediately for their course, as the students would be using their assigned Chromebook during the first couple units. I’ve placed this project on hold to address more pressing projects, such as the VoIP phone system and immediate student, teacher, and staff needs. The laptops will be completed before the teacher needs them for their course.

Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Phone System – Now that the CTE Network Cabling Project has been completed, I am going to be bringing the remaining new VoIP phones online so we can complete their configuration with the server, cut-over to the new phone system, and deprovision the current analog phone system.

Replacement Copiers and Printers - The new replacement copiers and printers are still on a backorder with no ETA at this time. Fortunately, we can continue using the copiers and printers we currently have in place until the new ones arrive, and then we will begin swapping out the old end-of –life devices and installing the new ones.

Summer Projects – Our high school intern, Ethan Hanutke, distributed Chromebooks throughout the district so they were in their respective classroom ready to go for the first day of school. Each 1st-12th grade “homeroom” had its respective students’ assigned Chrome device and chargers, Chrome device-to-student assignment list, and check-in sheets for each 4th-12th grade student to verify the initial condition of their assigned Chromebook. It felt good to start the school year with most of the projects at or near completion considering the predicament we were working through due to backorder delays. There are still tasks to be completed; but we are functional, educating our students, and making progress everyday!