

Charter
Long Range Technology Plan
2022-2026

September 8, 2022

Purpose

Technology has dramatically shaped our society and recent events in our society have reshaped the way we use technology. With the onset of the pandemic in 2020, technology has played a significant role in keeping education moving forward despite illnesses, quarantines, and mandated shutdowns. Each year billions of dollars are provided to school districts through various Federal, state, and local governments to buy technology equipment and provide internet access for school districts. Additional funds are allocated each year to buy equipment and provide services necessary to move classrooms to a virtual environment. It is important that all funds are spent in a manner consistent with the goals of the district without creating equity gaps or significant future financial burdens. A long-range plan is a tool best used to establish the goals of the district while providing the framework to keep technology up to date, readily available, safe, secure, and reliable.

To begin the process of developing the District's long-range technology plan, an internal Technology Planning Committee was formed and met during the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years. The purpose of the committee was to establish the foundation for a comprehensive technology plan. The internal committee members provided advice regarding technology needs, prioritization and strategic goals. The committee also worked to develop technical and instructional solutions to meet the District's strategic goals while simultaneously balancing technical and operational considerations.

The next phase of the technology plan development is to form an external committee consisting of students, staff, and community members. This group will convene during the spring of the 2022-23 school year to study the current state of technology, review the proposed draft plan composed by the internal committee and provide feedback regarding the proposed plan. Feedback will be considered and adjustments will be made appropriately. Once finalized, this plan will ultimately be used for strategic guidance for our future technology needs and equipment replacement cycles.

Responsibilities of Committee

Shawntee' Cowan, Chief Technology Officer and Jeremy Jameson, Director of Technology will chair the committee.

Long Range Technology Plan

1. Develop a Long-Range Technology Plan that addresses the six strategic goals of the TEA's "Long-Range Plan for Technology 2018-2023"
 - a. Personalized, Flexible, Empowered Learning Environment
 - b. Equitable Access
 - c. Digital Citizenship
 - d. Safety and Security

- e. Collaborative Leadership
- f. Reliable Infrastructure
- 2. Develop a plan that addresses the constantly changing environment of technology while addressing the future knowns and building contingencies for the unknowns
- 3. Develop a plan that defines technology equipment for learning spaces to create equity and consistency district-wide

Committee Membership & Selection

The committee will consist of no more than 60 members, including committee chairs, secretary, and Board Trustee -Technology (Warren Davis). Committee members will be selected by the following ways:

- 1. Board of Trustee Recommendation
- 2. Campus Principal Recommendation
- 3. Administration Recommendation
- 4. Volunteers

Information regarding the progress of the committee, meeting minutes will be posted to the Mansfield ISD Committee page.


Associate Superintendent

March 8, 2023

Approved:

Date: