

Lisle Community Unit School District 202
Finance Committee Meeting
May 19, 2026

Subject: IT Hardware Lifecycles and 5-Year Hardware Planning

Background: To maintain fiscal stability, we have developed the following hardware lifecycle. The first three rows for Chromebooks, iPads, and staff computers follow the device lifecycle plan. The last six rows highlighted in blue are E-Rate-eligible hardware. Each E-Rate cycle consists of five funding years, identified in the table's last row.

“Useful age” approximates the lifecycle of a particular piece of hardware. This number may fluctuate +/- two years depending on several factors associated with changes in technology and/or changes within the school district.

Description	Useful Age	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31
Student 1:1 Chromebooks (Gr2, Gr6, Gr9)	3/4 years	X	X	X	X	X
Elementary PK, K, Gr1 iPads and Chromebooks	5/6 years		X			
Staff Computers	5 years	HS		CO	LES	JH
Support Staff Chromebooks	5 years		X			
Classroom Projectors	7 years	HS	LES			
HS Technology Lab	8 years	X				
HS Mac Lab	8 years					
Core Data Center Server and Storage Hardware	7 years					
Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS) - Datacenter	6 years		X			
Access Network Switches	8 years		LES			
Wireless Access Points	7 years	LES				
Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS) - E-Rate Equipment	6 years		LES		HS+JH	
Firewall Hardware	7 years					
Firewall Renewal	n/a	X	X	X		
Core Network Switches	7 years			X		
E-Rate Funding Year (of 5)		1	2	3	4	5
Estimated Gross Cost		\$517k	\$478k	\$328k	\$397k	\$326k
Estimated Net Cost		\$461k	\$440k	\$303k	\$387k	\$326k

Notes:

- Estimated Net Cost subtracts reimbursements from federal, state, and/or local programs (e.g., E-Rate, etc.)
- Estimated Gross and Net costs are shown in the table above, but due to volatility in the global market, district requirements, and/or new district initiatives, they may fluctuate from year to year.
- The table does not include infrastructure or large-scale capital expenditures (e.g., cabling, copiers, phone system, etc.)
- This plan will be updated annually and presented to the board.