



Technology Report for July 2026 School Board Meeting Highlighting June 2026 Activities

Department:	Technology
HR Business Services Committee:	07.13.2026
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Manager's Minutes:

- Two Digital Innovation Specialists and our Network Engineer attended the Minnesota Generative AI Alliance Summit in St. Cloud. They were joined by a Library Media Specialist and Curriculum Coordinator. Attendees shared what they learned at the event with our full department at a recent meeting and answered questions from our tech staff members about ways AI is being used by staff and students in other districts across Minnesota.
- New student Chromebooks slated to be given to this fall's incoming 6th grade class at both middle schools have been received and are being prepped for the new school year.

What We're Working On:

- Network staff have received a new firewall for the district's network and will be configuring it through the month of July in preparation to bring it online in early August.
- Digital Innovation staff are inventorying and cleaning Chromebooks recently collected from students in preparation for the new school year
- 18 interactive flat panel displays were installed at Ordean East Middle School during June. An additional 32 displays will be installed prior to the end of summer to complete the replacement of all classroom projectors and Smartboards at this school prior to students' return.
- Tech staff have collected several truckloads worth of retired technology equipment across the district to central points at each building. Staff will transport this equipment to a local electronics recycler in July.

Staffing Report:

- I'm continuing to work with HR to prepare a job posting to best address current gap areas in our department's capabilities and the district's technology needs. This posting will use the 1.0 FTE that was recently vacated from a Digital Innovation Specialist's departure.