

To: Board of Education

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Re: State of LPS Technology Update

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Background:

As part of the LPS Learning Forward/Future Ready commitment to equip every student with the technology needed to learn and communicate in the 21st century, Lawrence Public Schools has successfully researched and rolled out 1:1 middle school iPads (August 2016), piloted 1:1 HS iPads and MacBooks (May 2016 – February 2017), and rolled out 1:1 HS MacBooks (August 2017). This followed months of comprehensive building and district-level committee planning work and student/parent/teacher evaluations and recommendations. We have now completed two years of 1:1 MS iPads and one year with 1:1 HS MacBooks.

Current Report:

This report will give an account of the successes and challenges from the first year with 1:1 devices at the two high schools, including solutions to said challenges. The report will also share changes implemented within the technology department for the 2018-2019 school year to improve end-user support, a review of infrastructure, and related concerns and solutions, and current and upcoming projects.