2009-2010 Technology

The majority of the technology budget is used to maintain existing hardware and software. Included in the technology budget are maintenance agreement renewals and licensing agreements to renew existing software.

A new IBM server will be purchased to enable the conversion of the current Student Management System (SASI), which is no longer supported, to PowerSchool for the 2009-2010 school year.

The technology budget also consists of funds for general technology supplies (ink cartridges, toner cartridges, and batteries), along with miscellaneous replacement parts (hard drives, laptop batteries, video cards, memory and network cards). Internet services and the telephone system contract are also allocated for in the technology budget.

Additional expenditures are allocated for an increase of new staff (laptop/printer), rotation and/or replacement of hardware as needed (teacher laptop & student computers), in the business department computer labs (instruction of MSWord, PowerPoint, Excel, Desktop Publishing, Visual Basic and Web Page Design), and the technology education department (AutoCAD: Drawing & Design, Engineering Design, Physical Technology and Tech Design & Systems). Due to budget constraints, we decreased the number of teacher laptops and student computers being replaced in our current rotation schedule.

The technology budget also includes the purchase of an additional Apple macbook mobile cart for the elementary school for the 2009-2010 school year. During the 2008-2009 school year a new Apple macbook mobile cart was implemented in third grade in which new technologies have been integrated into the third grade curriculum. The purchase of the additional mobile cart will not only expose our students to new technologies but will also allow for increased enrollment at the elementary level.