

Technology Board Report

Desktop Systems

We have worked in the Skills Center computer lab to improve the furniture. Several work orders to repair cabling issues have led us to update some of the furniture hardware to reduce the accidents that are occurring. We truly believe the majority of incidents are just consequential, not deliberate.

We have continued to test and deploy Windows 10 where we can, and overcome process and compatibility issues.

An issue in Art and Design with its copier, and potentially compatibility with the new MAC-OS in that lab has surfaced. We knew this was a potential when we implemented the new MAC computers, but found a work-around that until now had been error free. The reality is that this copier in that lab is 8 years old, and the manufacture has no intentions of developing updated software for new MAC-OS's.

Applications and Database

Continuing to modify and enhance Reports as each Administrator or Coordinator identifies needs to filter a report, sort it differently, or add information. As we evolve with these reports, we aim to make them as configurable as possible to minimize the total number of reports, and improve the flexibility of all of our reports.

Network and Server Systems

Experienced some downtime over the last month due to power fluctuations and related hardware failures. At this time, we believe the source of the issue is our aging battery UPS systems. It is able to sustain power to the rack for approximately 5 minutes. While this is enough to protect us until the generator initializes during an outage, we are finding that daily power conditioning of street power stresses these batteries.