

Smart Schools Plan Part 2

August 2, 2023

What can be funded through Smart Schools?

- 1. High-speed broadband or wireless internet connectivity for schools and communities.
- 2. Classroom learning technology equipment and facilities ("Devices") including such items as interactive whiteboards, computer servers, and desktop, laptops, and tablet computers.
- 3. High-tech school security capital expenditures, such as video surveillance, emergency notification systems, and physical access controls.
- 4. Facility construction, enhancement, and/or modernization for pre-K programs or classroom trailer replacement.



Initial Plan - Start a 1:1 Device Program for Students Grades 3-12

Starting with 3rd and 8th grade students, each student and their teachers will receive a Chromebook from the district (on a five year replacement cycle) to be used to address the following goals:

- Increase student learning and support differentiated instruction. Help teachers deliver more personalized lessons to students, while allowing them to learn at their own pace and ability level.
- Ensure equal access and learning opportunities for all students. Expand learning beyond the classroom.

- Improve communication and collaboration among students, teachers, and parents.
- Help our students understand the importance of internet safety, digital citizenship, and developing a positive digital footprint.
- Provide more enrichment opportunities for students and help them develop essential problem solving and critical thinking skills.
- Consistency with our District's vision:
 - Citizens of the world
 - Passionate about learning
 - Empowered



Plan (continued)

2018-2019:

- G Suite for Education
- Professional Development:
 - Google Apps
 - Google Classroom
- Purchase Chromebook classroom sets with carts for Lenape, MS, and HS.
- Replace end of life interactive projectors and add Chromecasts.
- Purchase Chromebooks for 3rd and 8th Grade teachers.

First Year (19-20):

- Every 3rd grade student and 8th grade student receives a Chromebook at the beginning of the year.
- PD and Chromebooks for 4th/9th Grade teachers throughout the year.

- Spring 2020 - COVID pandemic -

Second Year (20-21):

- Students bring Chromebooks up to next grade level.
- Chromebooks now 1:1 at 3rd, 4th, 8th and 9th Grades.
- Five year plan expedited to accommodate the needs of the district -



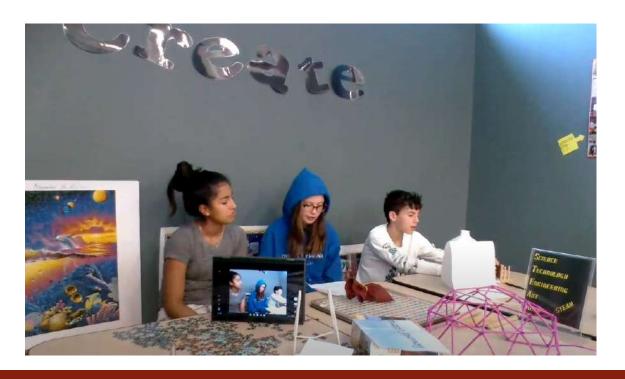
Remaining Funds Allocated for New Paltz CSD:

\$368,448



Plan (continued)

 Proposal: Allocate remaining Smart Schools funds on sustaining/improving our 1:1 program for students.





• Continued focus on integrating Chromebooks to develop students' creativity, problem solving, and innovation skills through inquiry-based learning.



Plan (continued)









Tentative Plan Timeline:

- ✓ State approved Technology Plan on file. (Approved 2022)
- ✓ Plan Presented to the BOE 8/2/23
- ☐ Prelim plan posted on district website for 30 days 8/3/23
- Public hearing
- → Final Plan approved by BOE
- ☐ Plan posted to district website
- ☐ Final Plan submitted to state for approval



Questions/Comments

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